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Forest Legacy Program Synopsis

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Forest Legacy Program (FLP) is to protect environmentally important forest areas that are threatened by conversion to nonforest uses.

Program Description

The Forest Legacy Program is a partnership between participating States and the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture. These two entities work together to identify important forest lands and protect them for future generations.

Conservation easements are the primary tool used to achieve this goal. Priority is given to lands that have important scenic or recreational values; riparian areas; fish and wildlife values, including threatened and endangered species; or other ecological values.

Program Characteristics

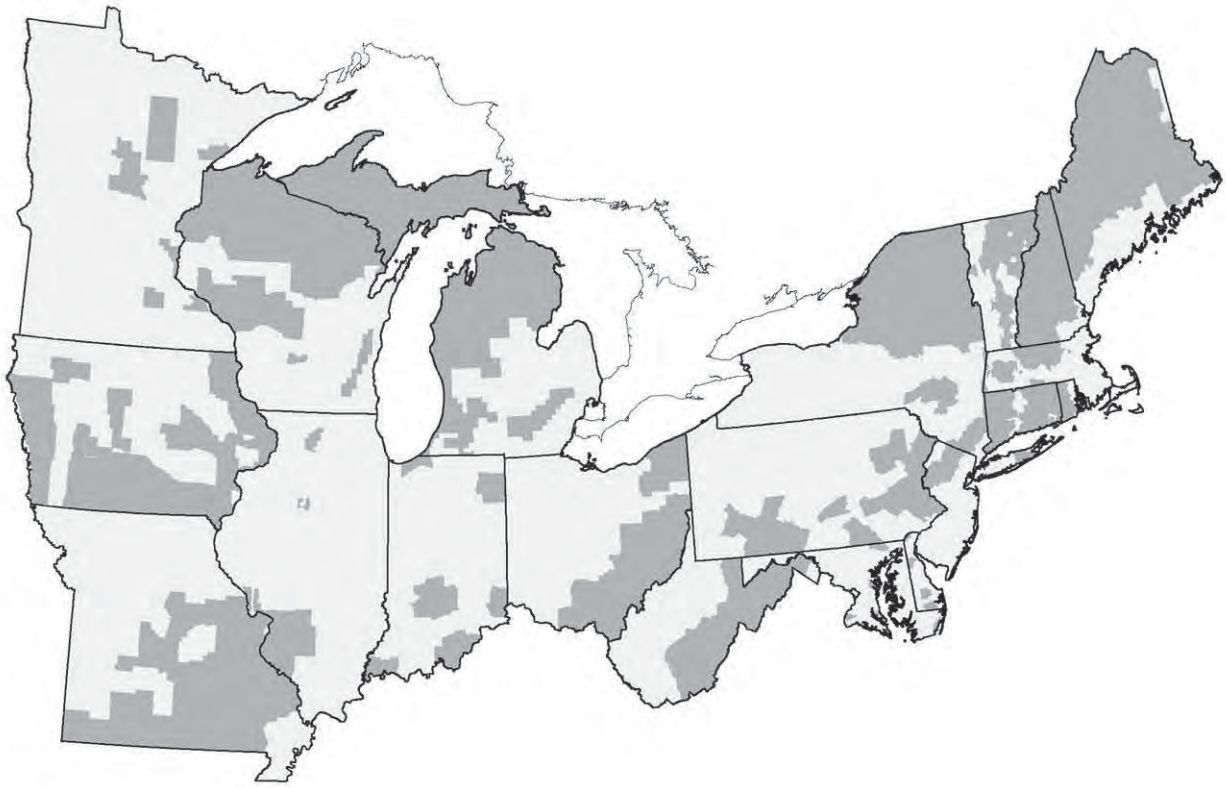
- The Forest Legacy Program is entirely voluntary. It operates only in States that have elected to join the program.
- The program helps States and regions identify important forest areas. Lands targeted for protection must fall within designated Forest Legacy Areas.
- State and local partners select priority tracts in cooperation with the Forest Service.
- The program is based on a "willing seller and willing buyer" concept.
- When conservation easements are used, the land remains privately owned.
- Other protection tools include full-fee purchase, voluntary deed restrictions, covenants, and agreements.
- The interests in land may be held by the Federal government or by the State or a unit of local government if the State chooses to select the State Grant Option as authorized by the 1996 Farm Bill.
- When the Federal government holds the easement, State or local units of government agree to administer the lands or interests in lands.
- The lands and interests are held in perpetuity. There is no loss of the Federal investment resulting from change of ownership.
- Forest Stewardship Plans that meet the landowner's objectives for natural resource management are prepared on all privately owned tracts.
- The tracts acquired can remain "working forests" and can forever provide forest resources to meet the needs of the local community and the Nation.

Forest Legacy Program of Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry

This report outlines program activity and accomplishments in the 20 States served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (NAS&PF), a unit of the Forest Service, in Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 (October 1, 2007–September 30, 2008).

- All 20 States served by NAS&PF have voluntarily joined the Forest Legacy Program.
- In FY 2008, accomplishments occurred in 12 of the States served by NAS&PF, where a total of 104,543 acres was protected from conversion to nonforest uses. NAS&PF's cumulative FLP accomplishments total 1,166,992 acres on 291 tracts through September 30, 2008. The total Federal investment of $171,266,000 in the States served by NAS&PF has protected forests valued at $357,290,000 through conservation easements and fee acquisitions since 1993.
- The national appropriations for the Forest Legacy Program and NAS&PF's share over the past 5 years are as follows:

Year	National FLP Appropriations	NAS&PF FLP Share
2004	$64,134,000	$29,764,000
2005	$57,134,000	$26,174,000
2006	$56,538,000	$27,210,000
2007	$56,563,000	$20,219,000
2008	$52,316,000	$23,277,000



Properties considered for inclusion in the Forest Legacy Program must be located within a State's designated Forest Legacy Area (shaded as dark areas on the map).

Partner Roles

The Federal Role

The significance of the public benefits of a particular forest ranges from local to national in scope. Larger forests tend to be nationally significant because the values they provide are becoming rarer. Extensive forest areas are often subject to the additional challenge of multiple ownerships and numerous political jurisdictions. Through the Forest Legacy Program, the Federal government helps State and local governments look beyond their political boundaries to identify important forest areas. The Federal government provides oversight, and financial and technical assistance to help protect important forests.

The State Role

States integrate partner resources to cooperatively protect and maintain a forest land base. The lead agency, usually the State forestry agency, carries out the FLP in the State. Responsibilities include the following:

- Collecting information to identify and delineate important forest areas that may be selected as Forest Legacy Areas.
- Consulting with the State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee to achieve program purposes.
- Addressing land protection and forest management issues.
- Conducting land acquisition activities.
- Integrating policies and incentives to conserve a forest land base.
- Holding and administering the lands or interests in land that enter the FLP.
- Monitoring tracts for program compliance.

The State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee Role

The State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee's role is identified in the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act. The committee acts as a consultant and makes recommendations. Its duties for the Forest Legacy Program, identified in the act and FLP guidelines, include:

- Establishing eligibility criteria and recommending Forest Legacy Areas in the Assessment of Need process.
- Prioritizing lands for inclusion in the FLP.
- Advising the State lead agency to achieve Forest Legacy Program objectives.

The Nongovernmental Organization (Land Trust) Role

Nongovernmental organizations, specifically land trusts or similar organizations, have a distinct relationship with the FLP. Because of their compatible interest in protecting land for conservation purposes, land trusts can be a primary contact with landowners to negotiate the purchase of conservation easements and to monitor the conservation easements once they are enrolled in the FLP. Lands acquired by or donated to land trusts may be counted toward the non-Federal cost-share amount of total program costs, provided the interests in lands contribute to the goals of the Forest Legacy Program and the lands are located within a Forest Legacy Area.

The Landowner Role

Landowner participation in the FLP is voluntary. A landowner joins the program either by conveying interests in lands to achieve the conservation objectives of the FLP or by purchasing or inheriting land that has already been committed to an FLP conservation easement. The landowner becomes a primary practitioner in maintaining the forest land base by implementing management activities guided by a Forest Stewardship Plan to conserve the values for which the land entered the program.

Robb Reservoir Conservation Area
Owned and managed for public use by the Harris Center for Conservation Education through a USDA Forest Legacy Program conservation easement.
The Robb Reservoir property was permanently protected on December 19, 2007 for the benefit and enjoyment of people and wildlife.
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Federal, State, local, and nonprofit partners are all critical to ensuring the successful completion of Forest Legacy projects.

Test Your Knowledge of the Forest Legacy Program!

Forest Legacy Program (FLP) staff in Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry review each conservation easement acquired through the program. Because many of the same issues come up repeatedly, we developed this quiz to address questions you may have and stimulate discussion. [Note: This quiz was prepared by program staff and should not be interpreted as legal advice or legal interpretation. Discuss any legal questions or issues you have with your legal counsel.]

Notes:

Question #1:

FLP conservation easements are governed by United States Code 26 (Sec. 170). **True** or **False**?

Question #2:

All FLP conservation easements must contain terms that address which of the following?

a. The acquisition furthers the purposes of the FLP
b. The easement can only be held by a governmental entity
c. Extinguishment of development rights
d. Reversionary language
e. All of the above

Question #3:

A conservation easement ensures that the land it covers cannot be taken by eminent domain. **True** or **False**?

Question #4:

In the drafting process, minor changes to conservation easements can be made by program staff without the involvement of an appraiser or review appraiser. **True** or **False**?

Question #5:

Pick the most monitorable provision:

a. There will be no alteration of the surface.
b. There may be surface alteration if there is negligible impact.
c. Surface disturbance shall be limited to the extent possible.
d. Surface disturbance may have only minimal impacts on the conservation values of the property.

Question #6:

Which of the following excerpt provisions from a conservation easement do not have to be enforced?

a. All forest management activities must be conducted in accordance with an approved Forest Management or Forest Stewardship plan.
b. A meeting between the landowner and the easement holder must take place not less than annually.
c. Livestock may not be grazed on the protected property.
d. The existing sugarhouse and outhouse may only be painted in natural colors.
e. All of the above.
f. None of the above.

Question #7:

You, as an easement holder, were notified by a citizen that a wind turbine had been built on an FLP easement that had been purchased 20 years ago. In researching the tract of land, you find the recorded easement, and it includes a provision that no wind turbines are permitted to be built within the easement area. You are unable to find any other records related to the easement. Because there is a clear violation of the easement terms, you are able to enforce the terms of the easement and demand the landowner have the wind turbine removed. **True** or **False**?

Question #8:

A conservation easement that is held by a governmental entity is superior to third party interests (mineral, easements, and leases). **True** or **False**?

Question #9:

Mineral language is never allowed in conservation easements. **True** or **False**?

Question #10:

A landowner who is selling a conservation easement to enroll in the FLP has to provide an approved management plan. **True** or **False**?

Question #11:

A landowner does not need to update the Stewardship Plan or multiresource management plan after their interests in land enter the FLP. **True** or **False?**

Question #12:

A Forest Stewardship Plan/multiresource management plan is the only plan that should be referred to in an FLP conservation easement. **True** or **False**?

Question #13:

A conservation easement can force a landowner to undertake timber management or remove invasive species if they show up in the future. **True** or **False**?

Notes:

Answer #1:

False. United States Code 26 (Sec. 170) governs donated conservation easements where the donor intends to claim a tax deduction for the donation. FLP conservation easements are authorized by the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 as amended and applicable grant rules 7CFR 3015. State law generally governs conservation easements.

Answer #2:

E. All of the above.

Answer #3:

False. A conservation easement is an agreement between the easement holder and the landowner, but it does not impact the rights of an entity that has condemnation authority.

Answer #4:

False. The terms of a conservation easement dictate the estate to be conveyed. Any change, even changes that are seemingly minor, must be reviewed by an appraiser to ensure that the changes have no impact on value. When hiring an appraiser, let him or her know that there is a possibility that he or she may be called on if conservation easement terms change.

Answer #5:

Provision A. Provisions 2, 3, and 4 use terms that require judgment, which allows room for arguments. If an answer to what an easement term means cannot be found in the conservation easement, then it may be open to interpretation. If judgment is to be relied on to determine exactly what a term means, the conservation easement should identify whose judgment will prevail.

Answer #6:

F. None of the above. All terms of the conservation easement are deemed to be important in protecting conservation values; therefore, it is important to enforce all of them. If there is a restriction on the color of an outhouse and a restriction on livestock in streams, the court is likely to view them as having equal importance. Be careful about what you allow to be included in the FLP easement. Make sure that easement terms can be monitored, can be enforced, and that they are necessary to protect the conservation values.

Answer #7:

Uncertain. We can't know for certain what the courts would do. It is possible that the terms could be enforced, but poor stewardship of the easement makes it more difficult. Lack of good easement stewardship in this scenario resulted in a situation that will likely be expensive regardless of a court's ultimate decision.

- First, you would have to show that the turbine was not there when the easement was acquired. This is difficult because in the example, the baseline document cannot be found.
- If it can be shown that the turbine was built after acquisition of the easement, then the likely defense to the violation would be that seeking enforcement was arbitrary and capricious. Why are you seeking to enforce the easement now when you have no evidence of doing anything for 20 years?

Notes:

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If you had this many correct answers. . .	Then . . .
11-13	You are a Forest Legacy quiz whiz!
8-10	You got more than half right!
5-7	There's room for growth!
0-4	You learned something today!

- The scenario illustrates the importance of a records policy and monitoring policy. If a records policy existed, then the baseline document could likely be found.
- If there was a monitoring policy, the construction of a windmill and its accompanying impacts on conservation values and the costs to enforce this term after so many years could likely have been avoided.
- Remember, an easement document is only as good as the stewardship of the easement.

Answer #8:

False. If a right is severed or a license is granted for some use on the property before the conservation easement is in place, that right or license may not be subject to the conservation easement. Once a conservation easement is in place, new activities on the property are subject to the conservation easement.

Answer #9:

False. The exceptions are:

- Limited sand and gravel extraction for use on the property in support of traditional forest uses.
- Oil and gas extraction where there is limited localized impact as discussed in United States Code 26.

Answer #10:

True. Landowner participation in the FLP is voluntary and consists of two elements: 1) conveyance of lands or interests in lands to achieve FLP purposes, and
2) preparation of a Forest Stewardship Plan or multiresource management plan. The landowner and the State Forester or designee must approve the plan prior to the acquisition of the easement.

Answer #11:

False. The plan shall be kept current and updated as needed. Plan modifications must be agreed to by the State lead agency. If the landowner does not want to conduct an activity on his or her land, a plan is still required to show the effect of non-action on conservation values.

Answer #12:

False. The conservation easement can and should refer to a plan for any aspect of the conservation easement where predicting future conditions and knowledge would otherwise be required. Some management plans that may be referred to in conservation easements include those for recreation, water, oil and gas leasing, and agricultural activities.

Answer #13:

False. This is unlikely because conservation easements are generally seen as negative covenants on land. This means that they limit what can be done on the land but cannot force a landowner to take action on the land. Conservation easements can govern action if it is taken by the landowner. However, this has not yet been thoroughly tested by the courts.

Forest Legacy Projects Completed During FY 2008

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FY 2008 accomplishments of the Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry Forest Legacy Program, including projects in the States of Delaware, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and West Virginia, are highlighted on the following pages.

Green Horizons - Delaware
The fifth phase of the Delaware Green Horizons project consisted of three forested properties totaling 348 acres in Sussex County. Purchased from the Glatfelter Pulpwood Company for a fee simple sale price of $3.98 million in December 2007, the FLP provided $2 million, the State of Delaware $761,500 and the Mt. Cuba Foundation $1.2 million. Forest products produced from these working forest lands, which were added to the Redden State Forest's Townsend, Ellendale, and Jester Tracts, will help maintain a viable forest industry on the Delmarva Peninsula. FLP funds were transferred to Delaware on January 27, 2008, when all FLP standards had been met.

The management of the red pine forests on the Green Horizons Forest Legacy Project will provide habitat for wildlife and a supply of wood for the wood products industry in Delaware. Photo by John Petersen

This Forest Legacy Program sign advertises that this 358-acre tract on Patterson Creek is protected from development in a partnership between the landowner, the State of Iowa, and the U.S. Forest Service.
Photo by Jeff Goerndt

NE Upper Bluffs - Iowa
Two tracts in the Upper Iowa River bluff forest area are now protected from fragmentation and development by the FLP. The first tract was purchased by the State of Iowa from the Iowa Natural Heritage Trust on January 28, 2008. This 80-acre tract is an addition to the Yellow River State Forest in northeastern Iowa and fills a hole in public recreation, wildlife habitat, and forest management opportunities. The $165,000 acquisition price paid by the State was composed of $123,750 in FLP funds and $41,250 provided by the Iowa Resource Enhancement and Protection Program. The second tract was protected with a conservation easement on 358 acres and was recorded March 7, 2008. The easement, valued at $519,000, was acquired at a bargain sale for $389,250 in FLP funds with landowners Pat and Karran Ryan donating the surplus value.

Monona - Iowa
Important woodland in the glaciated segment of Allamakee County, Iowa, which is also a prime housing development area, has been saved from conversion. The 209-acre Monona conservation easement was acquired with FLP funds from landowners Ronald and Rebecca Berns on May 29, 2008, at a bargain sale of $187,650. The appraised value was $250,600. The landowners, with the help of the Bureau of Forestry of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation, developed a Forest Stewardship Plan that will guide the management of the oak-hickory forests on the property.

This road across the Monona Forest Legacy tract is used by the public to access the property for nonmotorized recreation use and timber management access. Photo by Bruce Blair

The shoreline of Lake Rohunt, located on the Eagleville Pines property, will remain forested under the FLP conservation restriction. Photo by John Burk

Eagleville Pines - Massachusetts
This 100-year-old camp, situated on approximately 473 forest acres in the Eagleville Pines area of Athol and New Salem, MA, is host to hundreds of urban disadvantaged youth campers every summer. With funding from the FLP and facilitation by the Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust, the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation acquired a 283-acre conservation restriction on the forest surrounding the camp. Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries sold the restriction, valued at $955,000, to Massachusetts on October 30, 2007, for $830,000 of FLP funds and donated the remaining value. The tract was one of the largest unprotected properties in the North Quabbin Region of north-central Massachusetts.

Quabbin Corridor Connection - Massachusetts
The Quabbin Corridor Connection project, which crosses four towns in central Massachusetts, is a multitract project comprised of 18 individual tracts of land that extends over a 9-mile expanse of rolling hills and intact forest lands. The project adds crucial links to an 80,000-acre tapestry of protected properties, including three Forest Legacy projects (Hutchinson-FY1996, 2-Mile Landbridge-FY2003, and Eagleville Pines-FY2008) and the Quabbin Reservoir—the water supply for Metropolitan Boston. Six tracts have been completed so far totaling 907 acres with a mix of conservation restrictions and fee purchases. The first tract, a 75-acre fee parcel, was purchased by the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game in June 2006; the remaining five tracts were completed in December 2007, May 2008, and September 2008. The $1,883,000 total cost of the first six tracts was paid for with $499,000 in FLP funds and $1,384,000 in cost-share funds that include landowner donations, funds from the State of Massachusetts, and the Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust, the project's partnering land trust. Forest management, water supply protection for the greater Boston area, wildlife habitat, and public recreation opportunities are all benefits that will continue on these tracts.

Evidence of past land use can be observed on the Quabbin Corridor Connection tracts. This stone wall, which was created using stones removed from agricultural fields, is now within a mature forest stand.
Photo by Massachusetts Audubon

This is a view of Tahquamenon Lakes, located in the Two-Hearted River watershed and protected in perpetuity through the Northern Great Lakes Forest project.
Photo by The Nature Conservancy

Northern Great Lakes Forest - Michigan
The Two-Hearted River watershed in Michigan, made famous by Ernest Hemingway's "Big Two-Hearted River" story, had 3,300 acres protected on April 28, 2008, when The Nature Conservancy transferred a 36,716-acre conservation easement to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The conservation easement, purchased from Heartwood Forestland Fund IV, allows for public access in perpetuity for snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, hiking, and other recreational activities. Due to the size of the project, this working forest easement will also significantly contribute to the protection of forest industry jobs in the Upper Peninsula. The Forest Legacy Program contributed $1.97 million, and the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund supplied $3.54 million toward the total value of $5,507,400 for Phase 3 of this multiphase project.

Robb Reservoir - New Hampshire

Conservation organizations have been seeking to protect the land surrounding Robb Reservoir for decades for the valuable waterfowl and warm-water fishery habitats provided by the reservoir. The 1,667-acre Robb Reservoir tract is located to the north of an Audubon property, and the previously completed Bald Mountain tract is to the south. New Hampshire acquired a conservation easement on the property on December 20, 2007, from the Trust for Public Land, which had acquired and held the tract until FLP funding was secure. The $3,060,000 value of the easement was purchased for $3,000,000 in FLP funds with the remaining value serving as a portion of the non-Federal cost share. The remainder of the cost share was through a donation of a 285-acre parcel of forest land to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests.

The forests along the shore of Robb Reservoir will remain because of sustainable management and will continue to provide productive wildlife habitat and a natural view for canoeists and kayakers.

U.S. Forest Service Photo by Neal Bungard

Protection of the pristine lakes, spectacular mountains, and the forests that cover the property contribute to the beautiful scenery and wildlife habitat in the Adirondacks of New York State. Photo by Brett Cole

Tahawus - New York

With several peaks greater than 4,000 feet in elevation, and lakes, ponds, and streams that provide fishing habitat unsurpassed in the heart of the Adirondack Park, the previously inaccessible Tahawus property is now publicly owned. With help from the FLP, the State of New York purchased the 6,813-acre tract, which is located in the Town of Newcomb. The Department of Environmental Conservation will manage this mountainous property as a Forest Preserve. The acquisition by the State took place on January 31, 2008, for $5,096,124 from the State's Environmental Protection Fund. After all FLP standards were met on July 11, 2008, the FLP reimbursed New York State $1,676,000.

Muskingum North - Ohio

The State of Ohio acquired a conservation easement December 7, 2007, on a 436-acre property with 2,300 feet of frontage on the main stem of the Muskingum River, the largest watershed in Ohio. The property is adjacent to state-owned Tri-Valley Wildlife Area, a 16,200-acre public hunting area. This industrial forest property is owned by Superior Hardwoods of Ohio, Inc., which has historically managed and will continue to manage the forest for large-diameter, high-value wood products. The property includes river frontage, which has attracted second-home development. The conservation easement, valued at $349,000, was acquired at a bargain sale from the landowner for $261,750 with funds provided by the FLP.

This photograph illustrates the view of the Muskingum River as seen from the Muskingum North Forest Legacy Project.

Photo by Mark Ervin

The forests of Birdsboro Waters provide a natural buffer and filter for the lake, which serves as a public water supply for the nearby town. Photo by Gene Odato

Birdsboro Waters - Pennsylvania

The last remaining large, unfragmented forest in southeastern Pennsylvania could have been sold to a private water company with the intention of breaking up the forest that surrounds reservoirs and subsequently selling pieces to developers. However, Pennsylvania completed a conservation easement on the 1,727-acre Birdsboro Waters project on November 20, 2007. This area faces huge development pressure due primarily to its close proximity to the city of Philadelphia. The Birdsboro property houses several reservoirs and provides clean, abundant water and outdoor recreation opportunities to Birdsboro residents and surrounding municipalities. The $2,200,000 value of the easement was acquired from the Birdsboro Water Authority using $800,000 from the Forest Legacy Program, $320,000 from the William Penn Foundation, and $1,080,000 provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources via the State's Growing Greener II initiative.

Duval Trail West - Rhode Island

The 45-acre Duval Trail West forested property in South Kingstown, RI, was protected with a Forest Legacy conservation easement in December 2007. This tract is located along the western boundary of 220 acres protected by The Nature Conservancy and the South Kingstown Land Trust. The 166-acre Duval Trail Corridor, protected through the FLP in 2001, is the southern boundary of those tracts. The Forest Service transferred $363,900 in Forest Legacy funds to the State of Rhode Island on June 11 after FLP standards were met. In addition, $61,000 from the State of Rhode Island and landowner Larry Webster's donation of $60,300 comprised the non-Federal cost share of the project.

This photograph captures a view of some of the trees that are part of the Duval Trail West forested property; the tract is part of a 420-acre contiguous block of protected forest land in southern Rhode Island.
Photo by RIDEM Forest Environment

The scenic view of the Chittenden County uplands will continue to offer spectacular natural views for those that hike to the tops of the Green Mountains and those traveling in the valley on Interstate 89.

Photo by Anne Langevin

Chittenden County Uplands - Vermont

The Chittenden County Uplands Project is a cooperative effort involving the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, U.S. Forest Service, and the Vermont Land Trust to conserve the ecological integrity, rural character, and working landscape of the northeastern uplands of Chittenden County, Vermont. A combination of conservation easements and fee acquisitions by the State of Vermont on seven individual forested tracts added to the five previously completed tracts in prior years. The first six tracts, with a combined acreage of 2,736 acres, were entirely paid for with FLP funds of $2,012,763. A seventh tract of 228 acres worth $670,000 was donated by the landowner to the State of Vermont and was used as part of the non-Federal cost share all FLP projects must have. The project has protected portions of the Long Trail—the oldest long-distance hiking trail in the country—that is located along the spine of the Green Mountains of Vermont, connecting Massachusetts with Canada. The project has also added acreage to Mt. Mansfield State Forest and protected the scenic beauty of the hardwood forests for travelers on Interstate 89.

Trough - West Virginia

The State of West Virginia acquired its first FLP conservation easement along the South Branch of the Potomac River, which will help protect drinking water quality for much of Washington, DC, and help clean the Chesapeake Bay. On September 8, 2008, a conservation easement was purchased by the State of West Virginia from landowner Timothy Stewart. The 764-acre forested Trough tract conservation easement was valued at $458,124 and was acquired at a bargain sale from the landowner with $343,593 in FLP funds. West Virginia is working on additional tracts in the South Branch project for further conservation opportunities through the FLP.

At the closing ceremony for the Trough property, West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin III signs the ceremonial conservation easement while State Forester Randy Dye (standing far right), landowners, and members of the West Virginia Forest Stewardship committee, in the background, look on.

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Budget Summary

Appropriations for the National Forest Legacy Program (dollars in thousands) Fiscal Years 1999–2008

FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
7,033	29,933	59,868	65,000	68,380	64,134	57,134	56,538	56,563	52,316

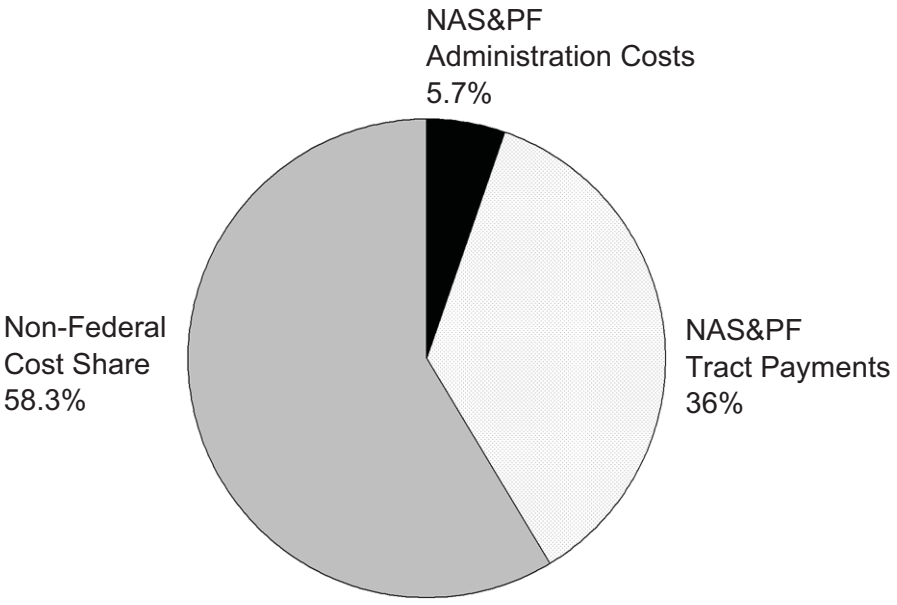
Summary of Completed Forest Legacy Acquisition Tracts in States Served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (4/10/93–9/30/08)

State	Tracts	Acres	Total value	FLP payment
Connecticut	23	7,347	$9,049,000	$5,238,000
Delaware	5	2,032	17,012,000	8,925,000
Illinois	9	493	3,309,000	2,329,000
Indiana	15	6,658	8,987,000	7,165,000
Iowa	11	1,986	2,908,000	1,686,000
Maine	20	646,896	101,768,000	45,112,000
Maryland	7	1,247	3,033,000	1,358,000
Massachusetts	35	5,968	20,189,000	10,358,000
Michigan	5	37,076	6,168,000	2,451,000
Minnesota	23	59,531	21,557,000	5,995,000
New Hampshire	36	215,104	47,830,000	30,998,000
New Jersey	10	5,413	36,667,000	9,563,000
New York	11	51,482	22,226,000	10,575,000
Ohio	1	436	349,000	262,000
Pennsylvania	3	2,956	6,216,000	3,016,000
Rhode Island	17	1,883	6,460,000	4,058,000
Vermont	39	64,948	19,319,000	12,783,000
West Virginia	1	764	458,000	344,000
Wisconsin	20	54,772	23,785,000	9,050,000
Total	291	1,166,992	$357,290,000	$171,266,000

Summary of Funded In-progress Forest Legacy Tracts in States Served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry

State	Tracts	Acres	Total value	FLP payment
Connecticut	8	765	$2,687,000	$1,944,000
Illinois	1	44	260,000	193,000
Indiana	4	2,242	5,410,000	3,507,000
Maine	6	79,503	20,890,000	10,029,000
Maryland	1	1,626	10,160,000	2,963,000
Massachusetts	20	1,869	7,133,000	4,711,000
Michigan	2	83,986	13,110,000	5,449,000
Minnesota	1	38,331	7,000,000	3,464,000
Missouri	1	154	1,510,000	500,000
New Hampshire	6	3,455	8,883,000	3,345,000
New Jersey	4	2,228	13,400,000	7,994,000
New York	2	81,663	16,500,000	1,485,000
Ohio	1	3,200	6,400,000	1,188,000
Rhode Island	5	1,728	16,557,000	4,429,000
Vermont	13	4,843	4,438,000	3,822,000
West Virginia	3	3,290	4,923,000	3,158,000
Wisconsin	5	9,004	10,206,000	6,222,000
Total	83	317,931	$149,467,000	$64,403,000

Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (NAS&PF)
Forest Legacy Program Costs by Federal and Non-Federal Entities



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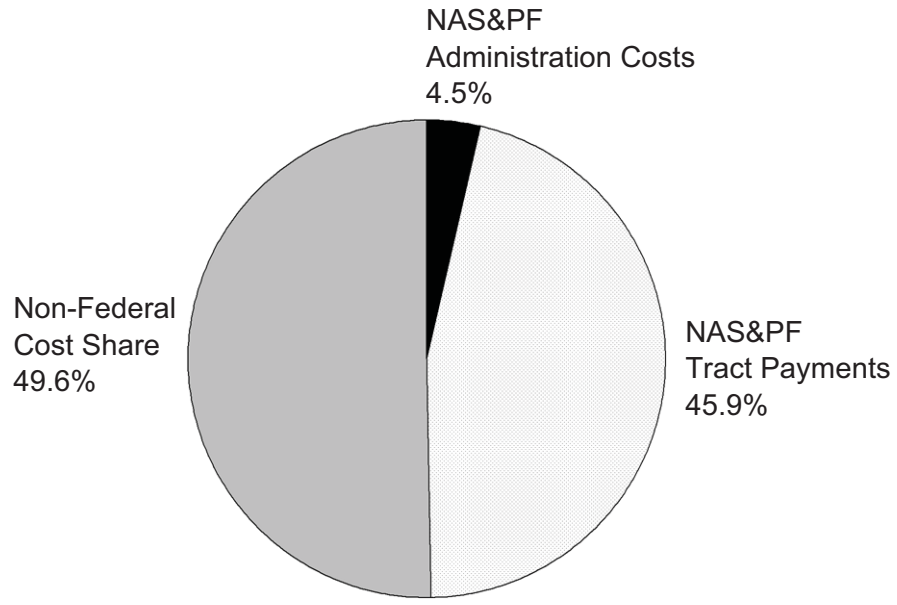

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"*To the extent practicable, the Federal share of the total program costs shall not exceed 75 percent, including any in-kind contribution.*" (16 U.S.C. 2103c Forest Legacy Program)

"*As a goal, administrative funds will be kept under 15 percent of appropriated funds.*"
(Forest Legacy Program Implementation Guidelines Part 1, X.B.)

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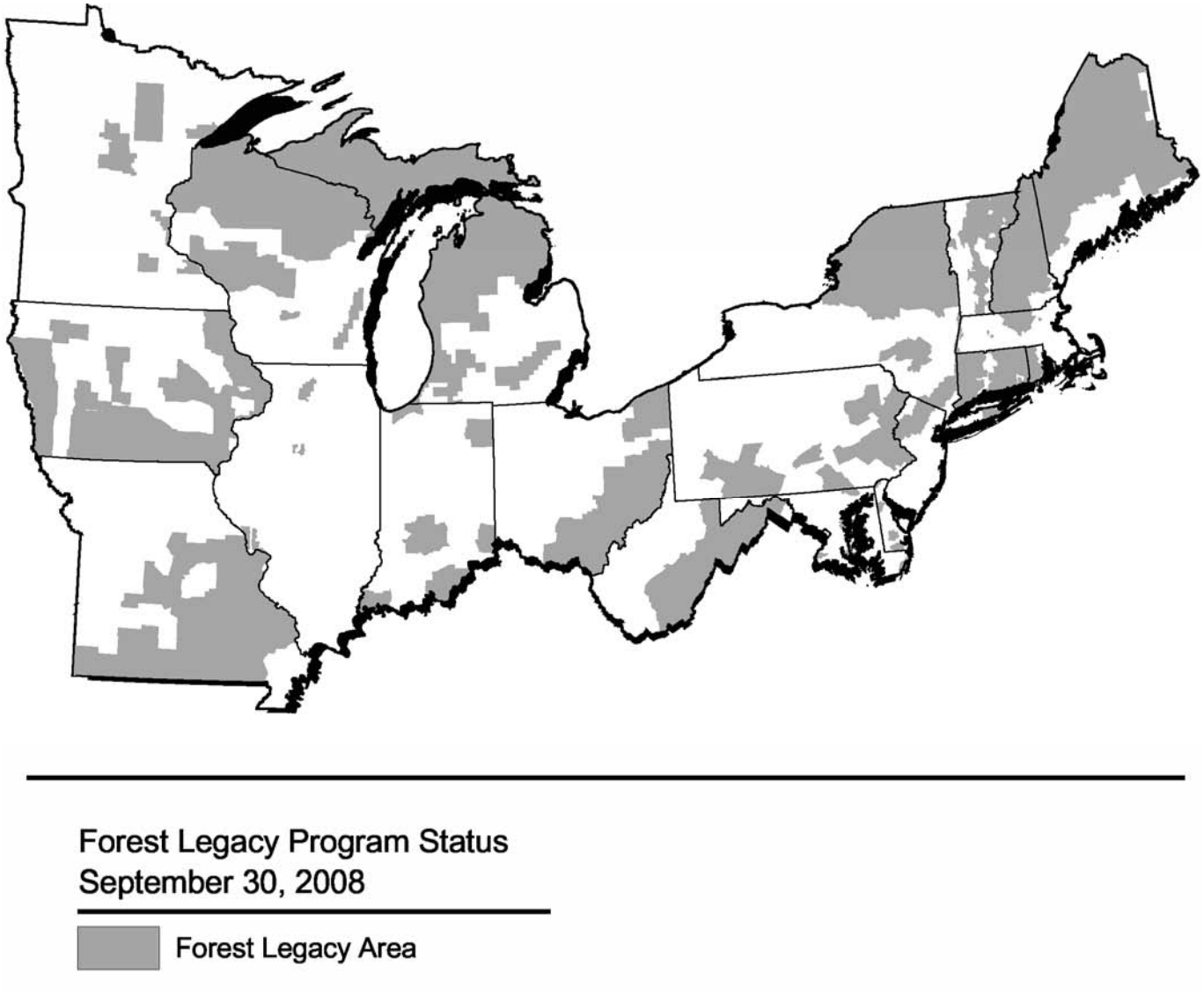
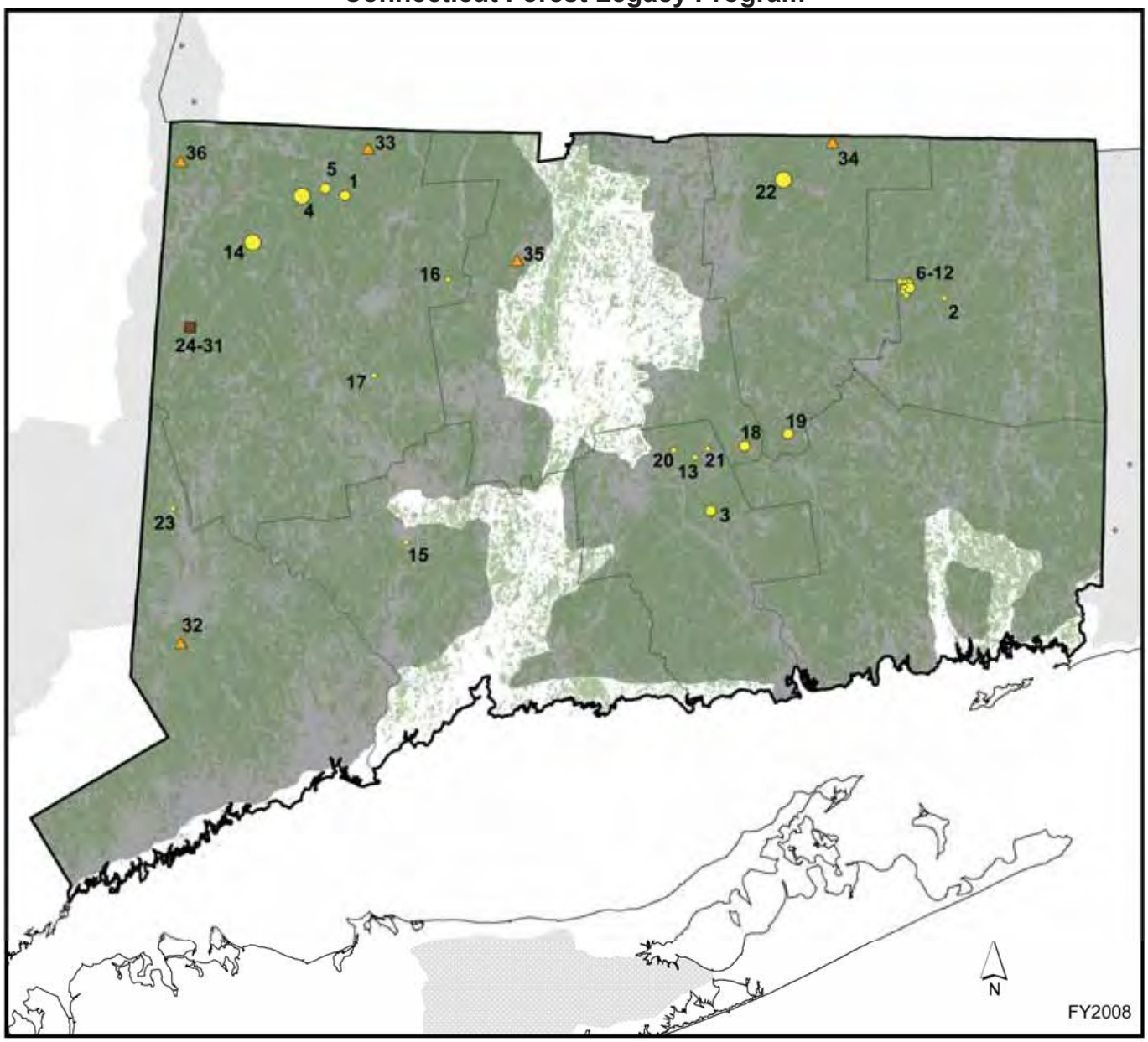
Forest Legacy Program Activity by State

The following pages summarize Forest Legacy Program activity in the 20 States served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry, including tracts completed through FY 2008, tracts identified for funding, and tracts proposed by State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committees for future funding.



Connecticut Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect large blocks of forest land
- Provide opportunities for continuation of traditional forest uses
- Work with existing open space initiatives to achieve maximum resource conservation
- Protect water quality

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Connecticut Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Connecticut Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Maplewood Farm	Litchfield	172	$210,000	$210,000
2	Pogmore	Windham	53	80,000	80,000
3	Pine Brook	Middlesex	126	100,000	100,000
4–5	Great Mountain Forest 1–2	Litchfield	5,528	5,453,000	4,089,000
6–12	Stonehouse Brook 1–7	Windham	478	795,000	596,000
13	Peaceful Hill	Middlesex	35	217,000	163,000
14	Housatonic	Litchfield	204	410,000	0
15	Naugatuck	New Haven	27	85,000	0
16	Nepaug	Litchfield	27	45,000	0
17	Mattatuck	Litchfield	55	170,000	0
18	Salmon River	Hartford	158	315,000	0
19–21	Meshomasic 1–3	Tolland and Middlesex	128	260,000	0
22	Shenipsit	Tolland	311	597,000	0
23	Pootatuck	Fairfield	45	312,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**7,347**	**$9,049,000**	**$5,238,000**

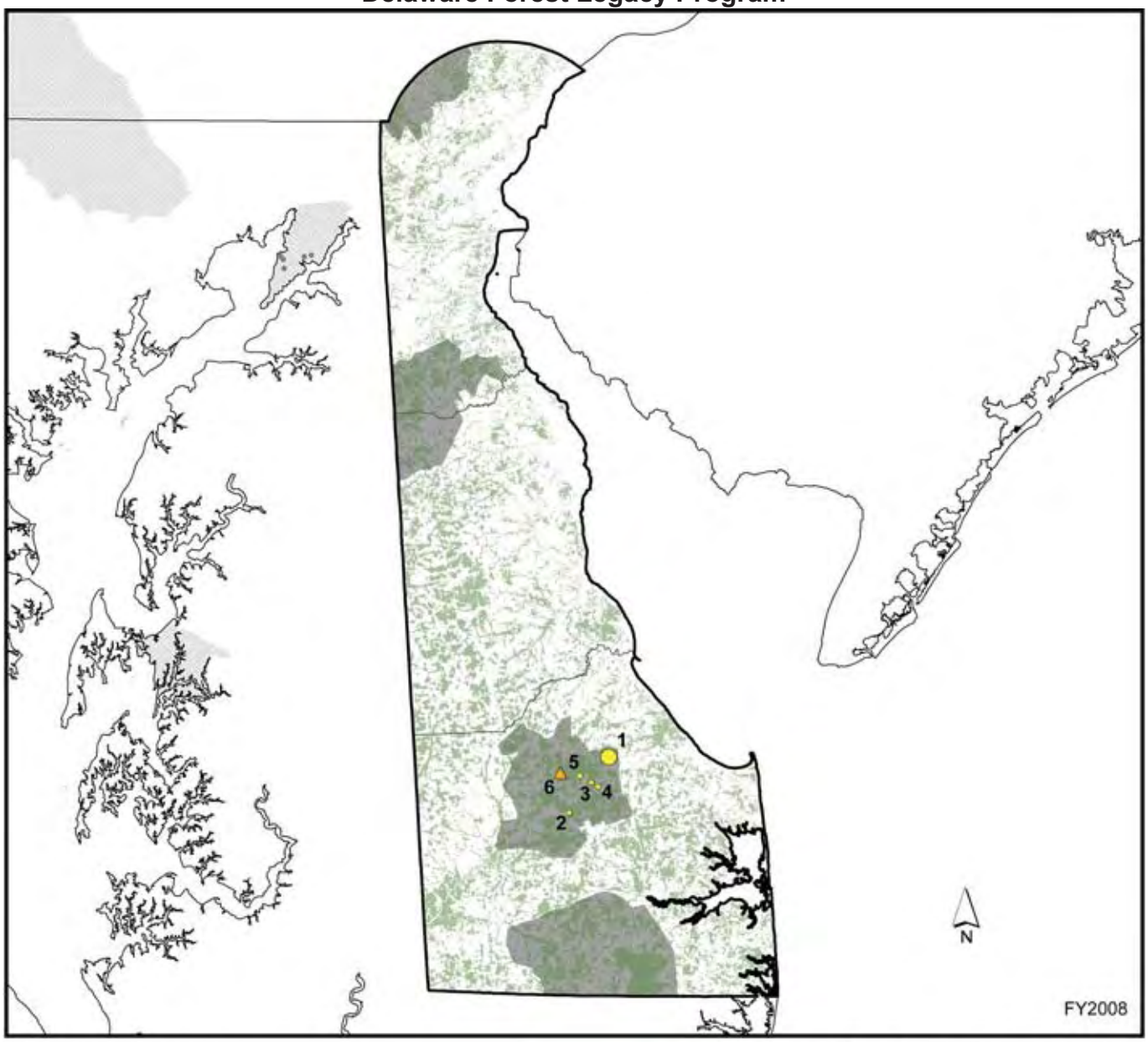
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
24–31	Skiff Mountain 1–8	Litchfield	765	$2,687,000	$1,944,000
This is a cooperative effort involving seven landowners working with the Trust for Public Land, Kent Land Trust, and the Sharon Land Trust to preserve over 750 acres that straddle the Kent-Sharon town lines in northwestern Connecticut.					
Funded Projects Total:			**765**	**$2,687,000**	**$1,944,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
32	Lake Waubeeka	Fairfield	604	$6,000,000
This project is the largest remaining privately held block of forest land in southwestern Connecticut. This property was originally purchased as a summer retreat for New York City firemen, but only one 94-year-old fireman remains.				
33	Brookside Farm	Litchfield	308	2,220,000
The property has had a rich history of forest management since the early 1900s. Primarily forested, the land showcases its previous uses through the presence of stone walls, charcoal hearths, and a foundation ruin of a water-powered 19th-century tannery.				
34	Culver Pond	Tolland	149	1,735,000
Culver Pond and the surrounding landscape are part of a larger tract of 640 acres deeded to Cornelius Davis in 1675 for service during the Narragansett Indian Wars. The property contains remnants of an 18th-century sawmill and gristmill, and canals that fed water to the mills.				
35	Tulmeadow Farm	Hartford	73	2,830,000
The forested portion of this property is part of a larger 260-acre family farm that has been operated by the same family since 1768. The protection of the forest will complete the conservation effort because the agricultural lands are already protected by a conservation easement.				
36	Wolf Hill	Litchfield	200	800,000
This tract directly abuts 424 acres of protected land, with several other protected properties in close proximity. The tract consists of steep slopes on the east and south, with a gentle, flat plateau above, and is entirely forested, primarily consisting of mature upland oak.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**1,334**	**$13,585,000**

Delaware Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Identify and protect environmentally important, privately owned forest lands threatened with conversion to nonforest uses
- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by development
- Provide environmental benefits through the restoration and protection of riparian zones, native forest plants and animals, and remnant forest types
- Provide recreational opportunities
- Provide watershed and water supply protection
- Provide employment opportunities and economic stability through the maintenance of traditional forest uses
- Maintain important scenic resources in the State
- Provide linkage between public properties, protected properties, and greenways
- Provide protection of rare, threatened, and endangered species of plants and animals
- Promote forest stewardship
- Provide educational opportunities

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AON amended June 7, 2006

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Delaware Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 500 acres
- Completed over 500 acres
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Delaware Forest Legacy Program

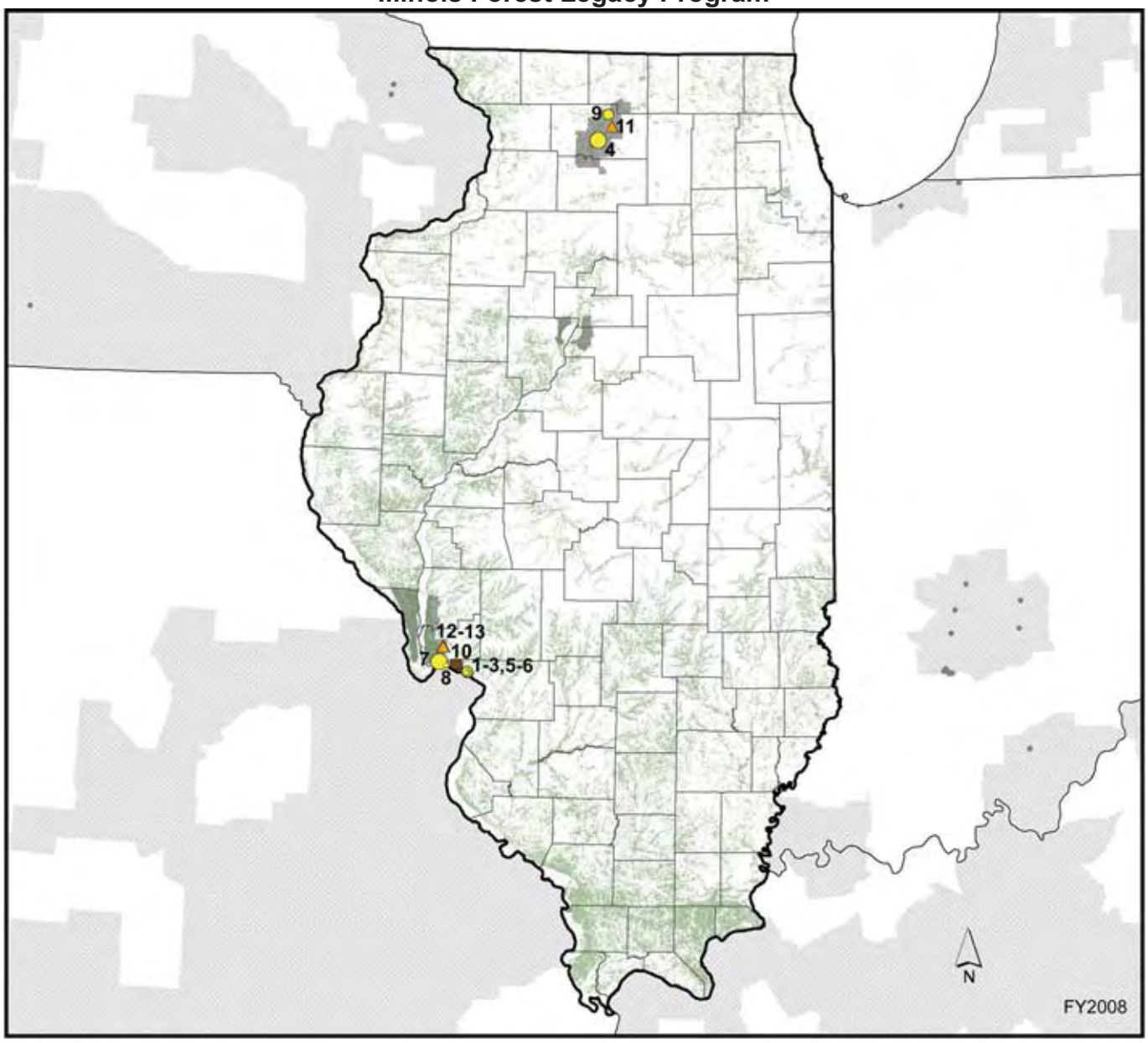
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Green Horizons 1	Sussex	908	$4,800,000	$1,994,000
2	Green Horizons 2	Sussex	448	3,030,000	1,975,000
3	Green Horizons 3	Sussex	88	1,500,000	986,000
4	Green Horizons 4	Sussex	240	3,700,000	1,970,000
5	Green Horizons 5	Sussex	348	3,982,000	2,000,000
Completed Projects Total:			**2,032**	**$17,012,000**	**$8,925,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
6	Green Horizons 6	Sussex	876	$8,000,000
Additional funding is required to complete the Green Horizons project, which protects lands around Redden State Forest.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**876**	**$8,000,000**

Illinois Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Reduce forest fragmentation
- Restore riparian zones
- Provide public recreational opportunities

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Illinois Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 50 acres
- Completed 51 - 75 acres
- Completed over 75 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- * Completed project in adjacent NA State

Illinois Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–3	Oblate Woods	Madison	143	$716,000	$492,000
4	Daysville Forest	Ogle	93	365,000	273,000
5–6	LaVista Woods	Madison	78	330,000	237,000
7	Rattlesnake Ridge	Jersey	79	102,000	77,000
8	Chautauqua Woods	Jersey	25	156,000	117,000
9	Byron Rock River	Ogle	75	1,640,000	1,133,000
Completed Projects Total:			**493**	**$3,309,000**	**$2,329,000**

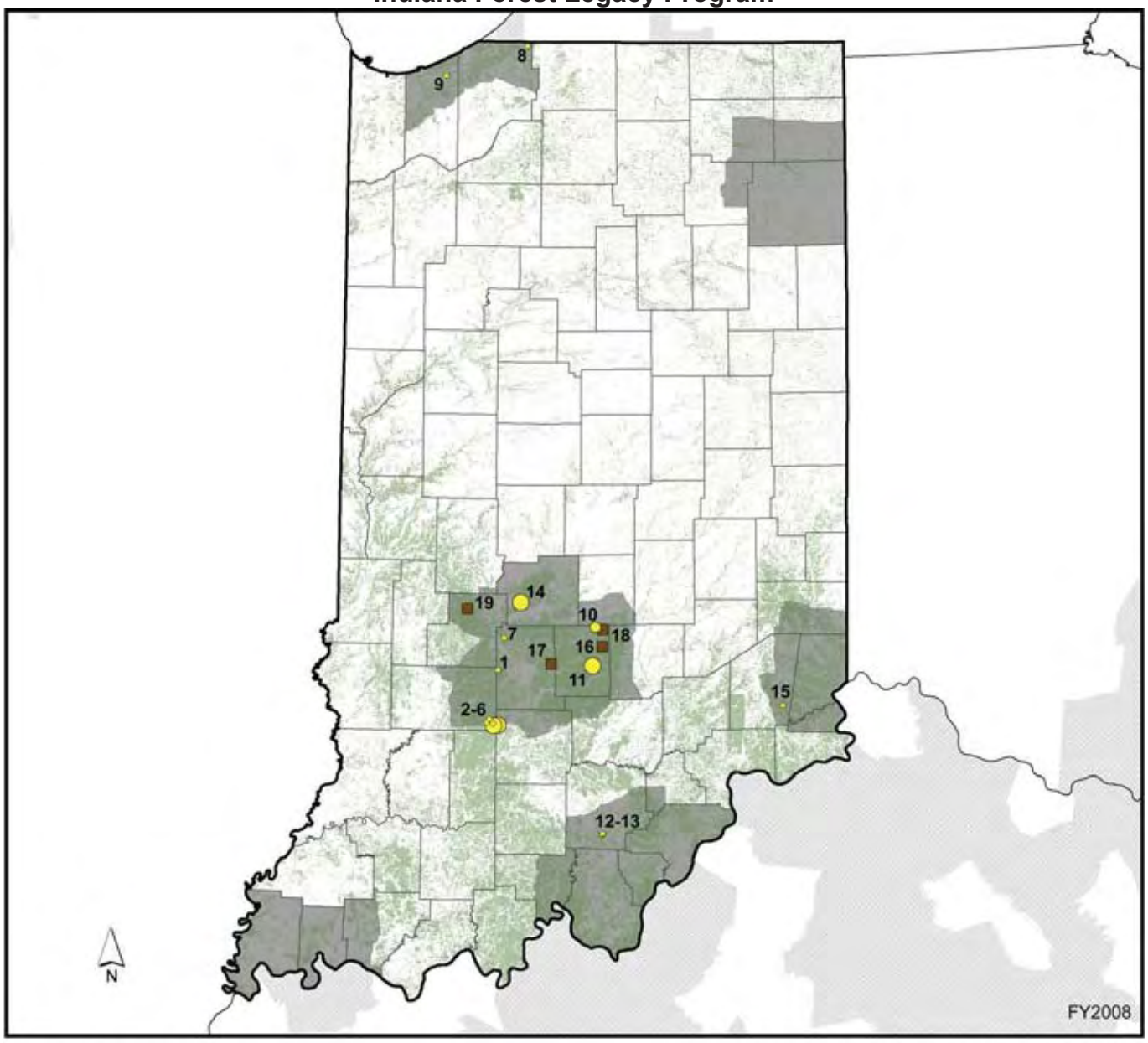
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
10	River Forest	Madison	44	$260,000	$193,000
This project is close to the Oblate Woods and LaVista Woods projects. The proximity of this project to the Mississippi River makes it attractive for development. Heavily wooded tracts on scenic bluffs overlooking the river further contribute to the development threat.					
Funded Projects Total:			**44**	**$260,000**	**$193,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
11	McCormick	Ogle	300	$600,000
This tract will further the goal of protecting forested areas adjacent to the Rock River. Protection will ensure continued natural resource education efforts at the site, as well as protect critical habitat for two State-listed threatened plant species.				
12–13	Pere Marquette 1–2	Jersey	736	3,970,000
These two tracts will continue a longstanding effort to protect thousands of acres of forest habitat in the watersheds of the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers along the bluffs associated with those rivers. The tracts are adjacent to Pere Marquette State Park.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**1,036**	**$4,570,000**

Indiana Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Identify and protect environmentally important privately owned forest lands threatened with conversion to nonforest uses, keeping these forests as parts of the working natural landscape
- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by development and subdivision of important forest lands

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Indiana Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 300 acres
- Completed 300 - 800 acres
- Completed over 800 acres
- Funded

Indiana Forest Legacy Program

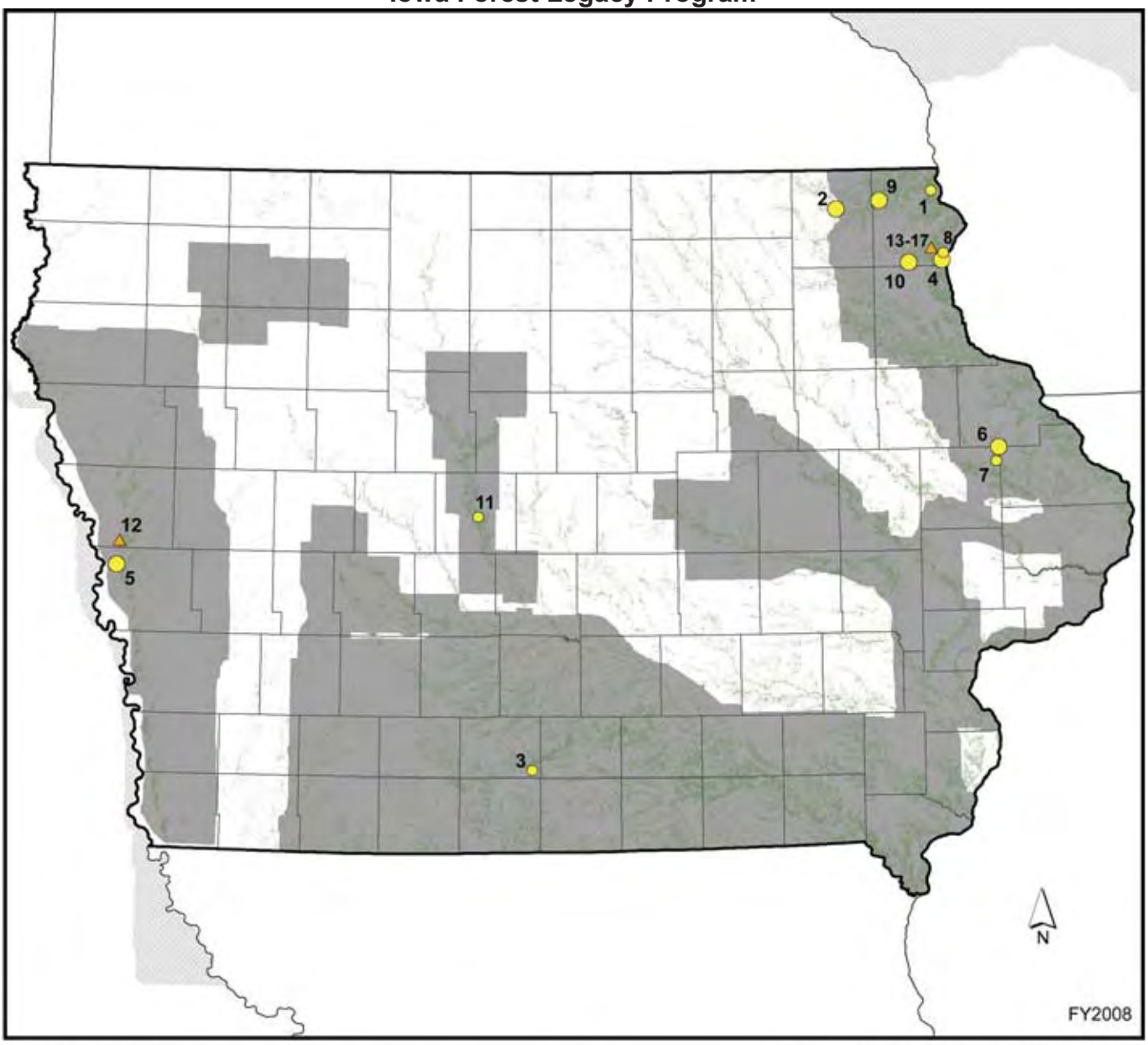
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Little Richland Creek	Monroe	299	$110,000	$84,000
2–6	Indian Creek 1–5	Greene	2,390	1,954,000	1,428,000
7	Jack's Defeat Creek	Monroe	225	398,000	338,000
8	Rattlesnake Creek	LaPorte	163	145,000	123,000
9	River's Edge	Porter	77	167,000	167,000
10	Hills of Gold	Brown	460	830,000	726,000
11	Gnaw Bone Camp	Brown	1,368	2,425,000	1,824,000
12–13	Big Spring Farm 1–2	Washington	183	233,000	175,000
14	Hurricane Hills	Morgan	1,351	2,600,000	2,300,000
15	Corning Woods	Ripley	142	125,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**6,658**	**$8,987,000**	**$7,165,000**

Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
16	Mt. Tea Ridge	Brown	806	$1,687,000	$1,265,000
Located less than 35 miles from Indianapolis, this forested property contains valuable mixed hardwoods and scenic views.					
17–18	Land Bridge 1–2	Brown and Monroe	286	723,000	542,000
This project protects working forests in Indiana's beautiful hill country. The rugged hills with stunning hardwood forests make this region prime real estate for commuters, retirees, and vacation homeowners from Indianapolis.					
19	Luke's Run	Owen	1,150	3,000,000	1,700,000
This block of well-managed central hardwood forests with karst features is an easy 45-mile commute to Indianapolis. It borders the 6,000-acre Owen-Putnam State Forest; nearby are the popular 1,500-acre Cagles Mill Lake and 8,000-acre Lieber State Recreation Area.					
Funded Projects Total:			**2,242**	**$5,410,000**	**$3,507,000**

Iowa Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect environmentally important private forests that are threatened by conversion to nonforest uses, such as conversion to agriculture, gravel pits/mining, and residential or commercial development
- Protect Iowa's publicly owned or permanently protected forested tracts from environmental threats caused by the development of nearby forest areas
- Prevent and reverse the fragmentation and parcelilzation of Iowa's contiguous forests by reconnecting parcels of land and keeping forests in congituous parcels
- Preserve the beauty and public enjoyment of Iowa's forested landscape

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Forested land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Iowa Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 150 acres
- Completed over 150 acres
- Proposed

Iowa Forest Legacy Program

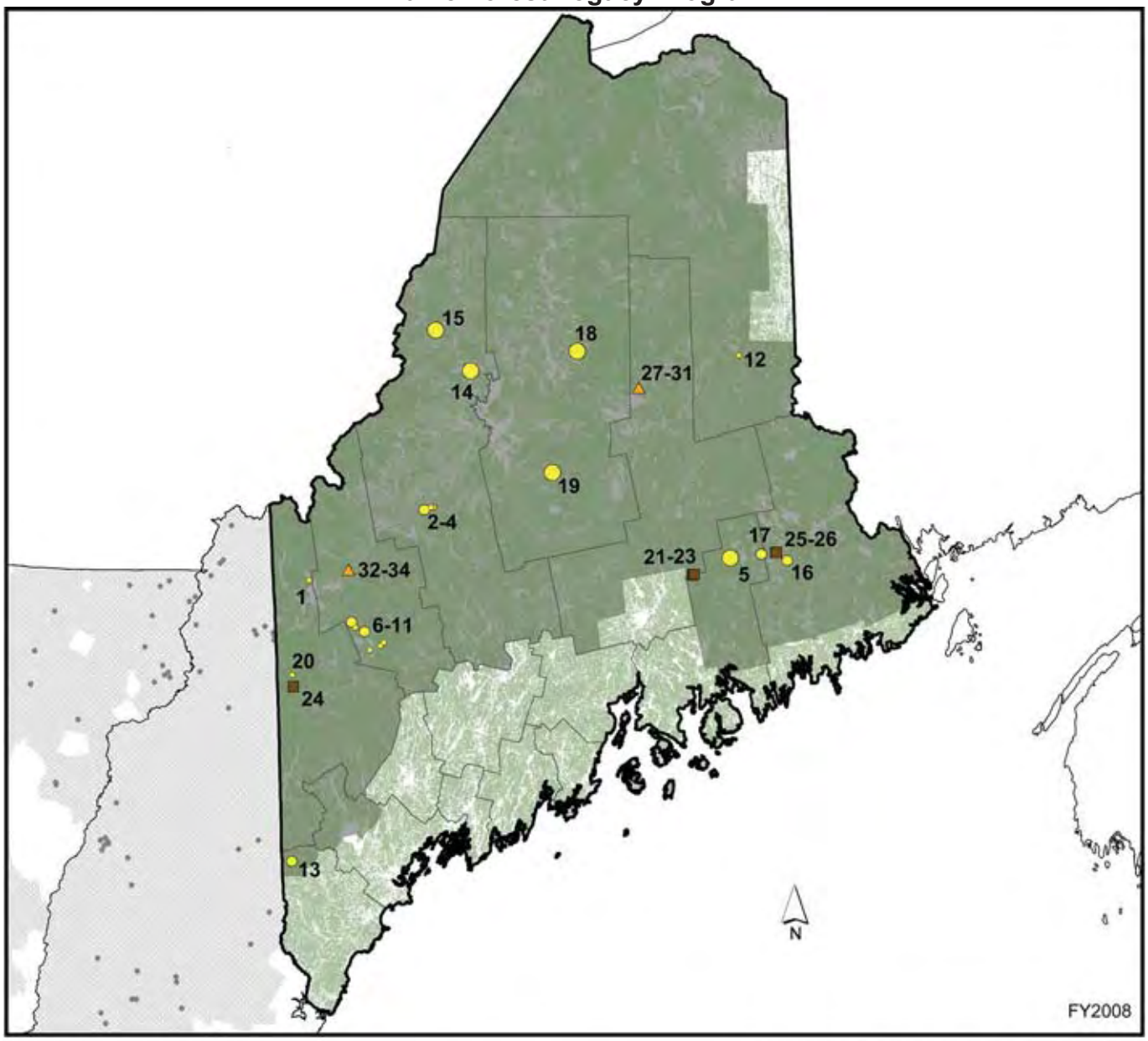
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Lansing Big Lake	Allamakee	35	$78,000	$58,000
2	Cold Air Slope	Winneshiek	165	561,000	365,000
3	Stephens Forest	Clarke	60	19,000	4,000
4	Effigy	Allamakee	192	214,000	161,000
5	Loess Hills Forest	Harrison	255	606,000	132,000
6–7	Canyons 1–2	Jones and Dubuque	557	339,000	265,000
8–9	NE Upper Bluffs 1–2	Allamakee	438	684,000	513,000
10	Monona	Allamakee	209	251,000	188,000
11	Saylorville Greenbelt	Boone	75	156,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**1,986**	**$2,908,000**	**$1,686,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
12	Preparation Canyon	Monona	1,678	$1,750,000
Located in the Loess Hills, this project will help protect part of this formation that runs for 200 miles through western Iowa. Loess Hills are windblown soil deposits over 200 feet deep in great rolling drifts above the Missouri River floodplain.				
13–17	Lansing Wildlife Unit 1–5	Allamakee	313	425,000
This forested tract is strategically located adjacent to the Lansing Wildlife Management Area, a 1,955-acre public hunting area that is primarily forested. The property is also within 1 mile of the Lansing Big Lake Forest Legacy tract, protected in 2005.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**1,991**	**$2,175,000**

Maine Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Prevent the conversion of Maine's forest to nonforest uses, and thereby protect an array of Maine's traditional forest uses. These uses include timber harvesting, public access, and recreational opportunities such as hunting, fishing, and hiking, to name but a few
- Protect a wide range of public values, including, but not limited to, wetlands, significant fish and wildlife habitat, historical or archaeological sites, scenic resources, rare or exemplary natural communities, biodiversity, and sustainable forest management

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Maine Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 5,000 acres
- Completed 5,001 - 20,000 acres
- Completed over 20,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- * Completed project in adjacent State

Maine Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Cupsuptic Lake	Oxford	1,272	$843,000	$843,000
2–4	Pierce Pond	Somerset	9,858	1,950,000	1,950,000
5	Nicatous Lake	Hancock	20,268	4,500,000	3,000,000
6–11	Mt. Blue/Tumbledown Mtn.	Franklin	25,776	7,690,000	4,240,000
12	Mattawamkeag	Aroostook	3,338	895,000	500,000
13	Leavitt Plantation	York	8,603	2,735,000	596,000
14–15	West Branch	Somerset	328,364	36,167,000	19,647,000
16	Machias River 1	Washington	6,316	2,903,000	1,987,000
17	Machias River 2	Washington and Hancock	7,662	7,565,000	1,478,000
18	Katahdin Forest	Piscataquis and Penobscot	194,751	23,800,000	4,437,000
19	Katahdin Iron Works	Piscataquis	37,000	9,870,000	4,434,000
20	Grafton	Oxford	3,688	2,850,000	2,000,000
Completed Projects Total:			**646,896**	**$101,768,000**	**$45,112,000**

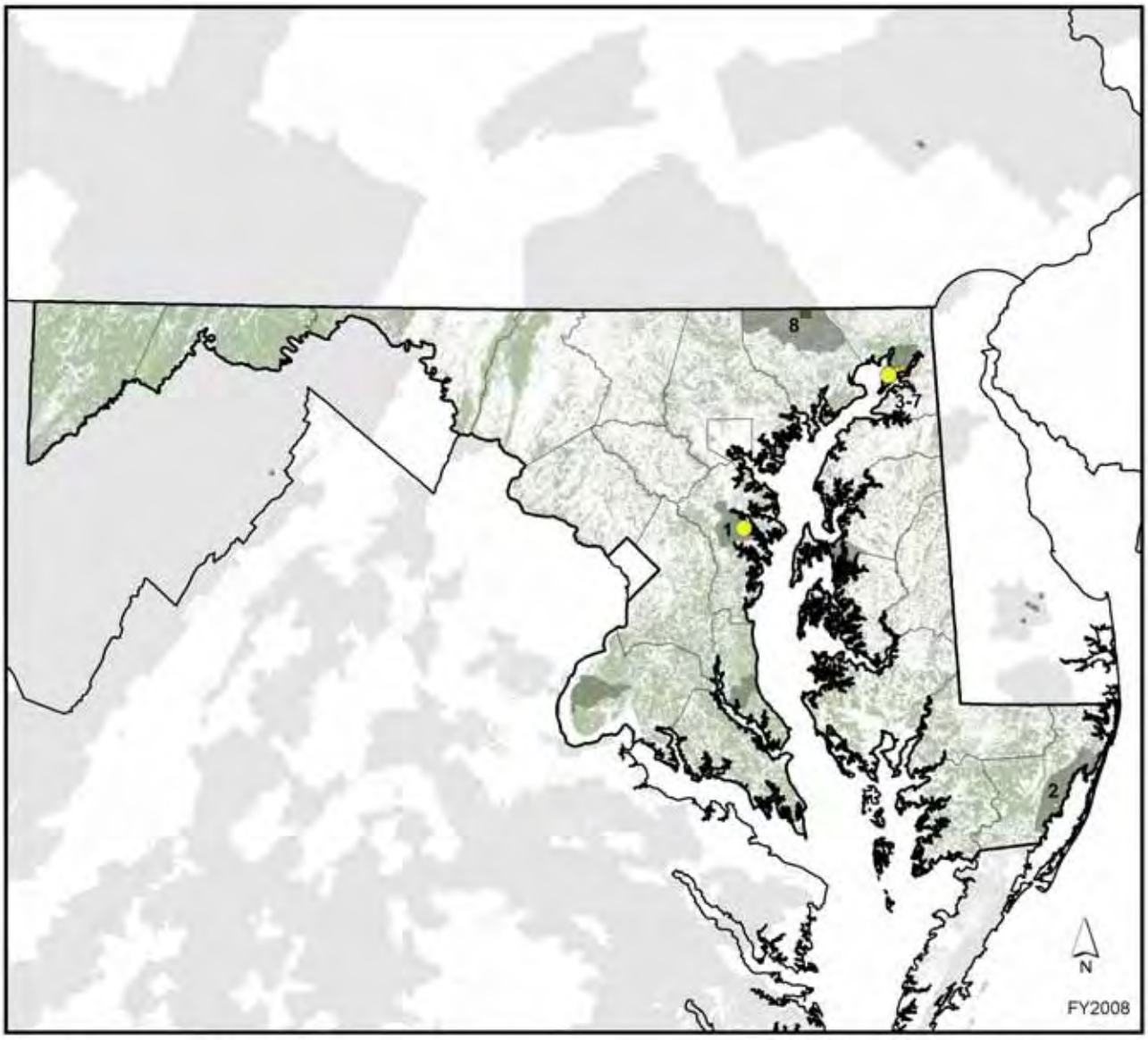
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
21–23	Lower Penobscot Forest 1–3	Penobscot and Hancock	42,241	$13,608,000	$5,466,000
The combination of fee and conservation easements for this project is part of a larger conservation vision. The Penobscot-Hancock Highlands Conservation Initiative seeks to protect the forest lands east of Bangor, from the Sunkhaze National Wildlife Refuge to Bar Harbor.					
24	Grafton Notch - Stowe Mountain	Oxford	3,454	2,000,000	1,113,000
Grafton Notch slices through the spectacular Mahoosuc Mountains, encompassing some of the most dramatic mountain landscapes found in Maine. Hiking trails on the property offer access to recreational opportunities on this tract and neighboring properties.					
25–26	Machias River 3 1–2	Washington	33,808	5,282,000	3,450,000
Located between protected lands, this project has outstanding conservation values, including lakefront, streams, and diverse wildlife habitats. The project will secure more than 88 percent of the upper Machias watershed from development and ensure sustainable forest management and public access.					
Funded Projects Total:			**79,503**	**$20,890,000**	**$10,029,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
27–31	Katahdin Forest Expansion 1–5	Piscataquis and Penobscot	19,647	$6,805,000
The Katahdin Region, anchored by Baxter State Park, represents Maine's largest block of contiguous conservation lands. All five properties have traditionally been under active commercial forest management and are key contributors to the local wood products industry.				
32–34	Rangeley High Peaks 1–3	Franklin	13,446	4,614,000
The project area's exceptional natural resource amenities, motorized and nonmotorized recreational opportunities, and support infrastructure bring it under increasing pressure of conversion to nonforest uses.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**33,093**	**$11,419,000**

Maryland Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

Assessment of Need approved January 22, 1996

- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by development
- Restore and protect riparian zones, native plants and animals, and remnant forests
- Provide recreational opportunities
- Protect watersheds and water supplies
- Ensure economic stability through the continuation of traditional forest uses
- Maintain important scenic resources of the State
- Provide linkage to public areas and protected areas
- Protect rare, threatened, and endangered species

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Maryland Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Maryland Forest Legacy Program

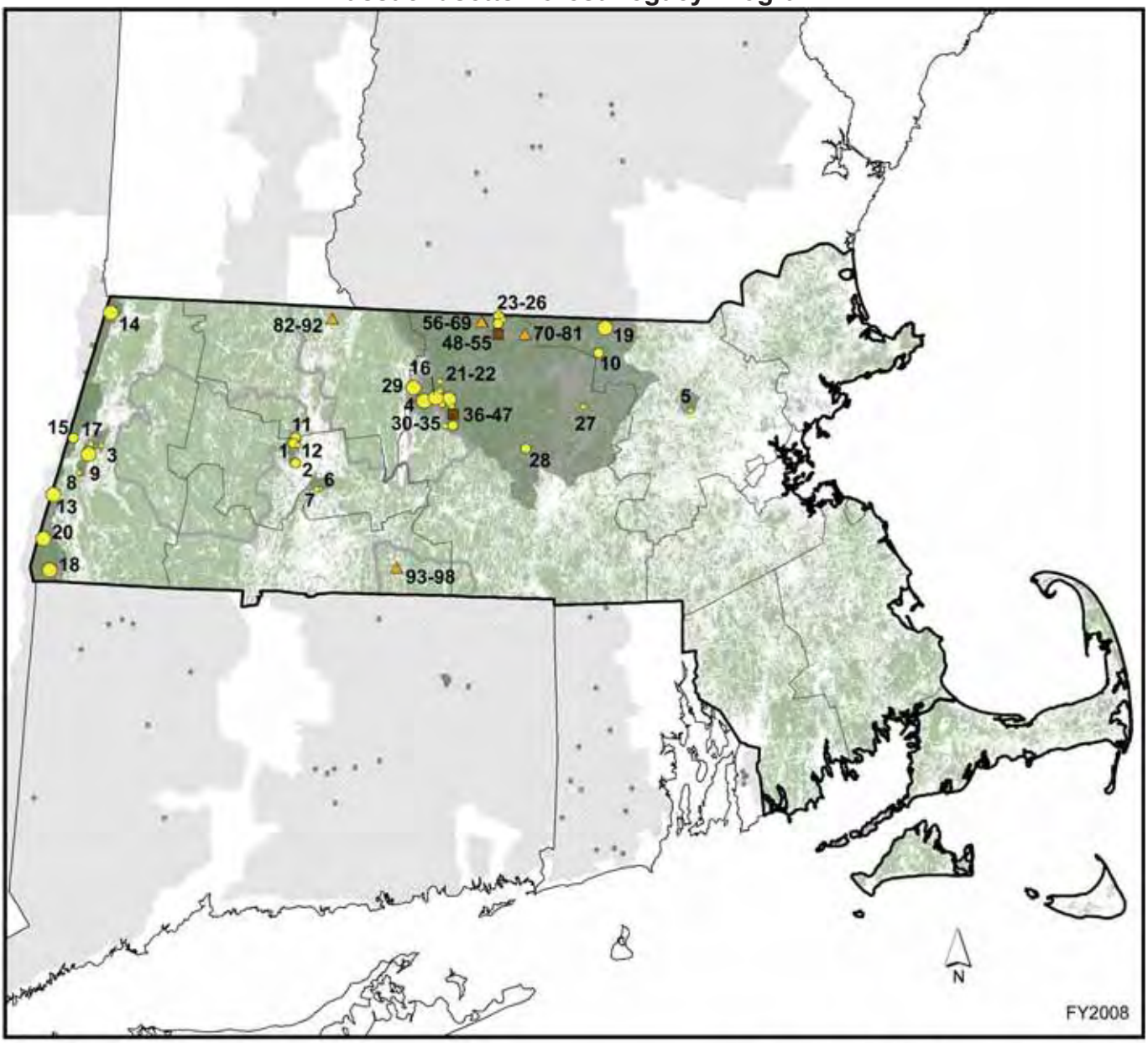
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Green Cathedral	Anne Arundel	298	$1,550,000	$650,000
2	Coastal Bay	Worcester	95	78,000	78,000
3–4	Muddy Creek 1–2	Cecil	186	630,000	630,000
5–7	Rodney, Caveat, and McDaniel	Cecil	668	775,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**1,247**	**$3,033,000**	**$1,358,000**

Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
8	Broad Creek	Harford	1,626	$10,160,000	$2,963,000
This large property is predominantly forested with the oak-hickory forest type and includes a stand of potential old-growth eastern hemlock. Several State-listed rare, threatened, and endangered species are known to exist on the property.					
Funded Projects Total:			**1,626**	**$10,160,000**	**$2,963,000**

Massachusetts Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect high-elevation forests and municipal watersheds
- Protect aquifers, river corridors, and wetlands
- Protect threatened and endangered species habitat
- Encourage traditional forest uses

Assessment of Need approved August 5, 1993
AON amended June 1, 2001

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Massachusetts Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Massachusetts Proposed Forest Legacy Area

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Massachusetts Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Holich	Hampshire	113	$220,000	$220,000
2	Anciporch	Hampshire	106	198,000	165,000
3	Audubon	Berkshire	75	180,000	180,000
4	Hutchinson	Worcester	490	616,000	450,000
5	Pippin Tree	Middlesex	73	4,300,000	1,500,000
6	Boudreau	Hampshire	56	321,000	241,000
7	Johnson	Hampshire	47	59,000	48,000
8	Stockbridge Sportsman's Club	Berkshire	67	60,000	60,000
9	Kripalu (BNRC)	Berkshire	225	280,000	280,000
10	Pumpkin Brook Link	Middlesex	174	750,000	250,000
11–12	Hatfield Watershed 1–2	Hampshire	145	681,000	512,000
13–15	Alford Springs 1–3	Berkshire	947	1,265,000	945,000
16	2-Mile Landbridge	Worcester	467	600,000	330,000
17	Williams	Berkshire	14	38,000	35,000
18	Mt. Washington–Camp Hi-Rock	Berkshire	665	2,100,000	1,097,000
19	Belmont Springs	Middlesex	255	2,600,000	1,383,000
20	Karner Brook Ridge	Berkshire	213	1,000,000	303,000
21–22	Prospect Hill 1–2	Worcester	167	438,000	302,000
23–26	Bush Hill 1–4	Worcester	340	598,000	243,000
27	Ballard Hill	Berkshire	33	265,000	90,000
28	Muschopauge Brook	Worcester	106	630,000	395,000
29	Eagleville Pines	Worcester	283	1,107,000	830,000
30–35	Quabbin Corridor Connection 1–6	Worcester	907	1,883,000	499,000
Completed Projects Total:			**5,968**	**$20,189,000**	**$10,358,000**

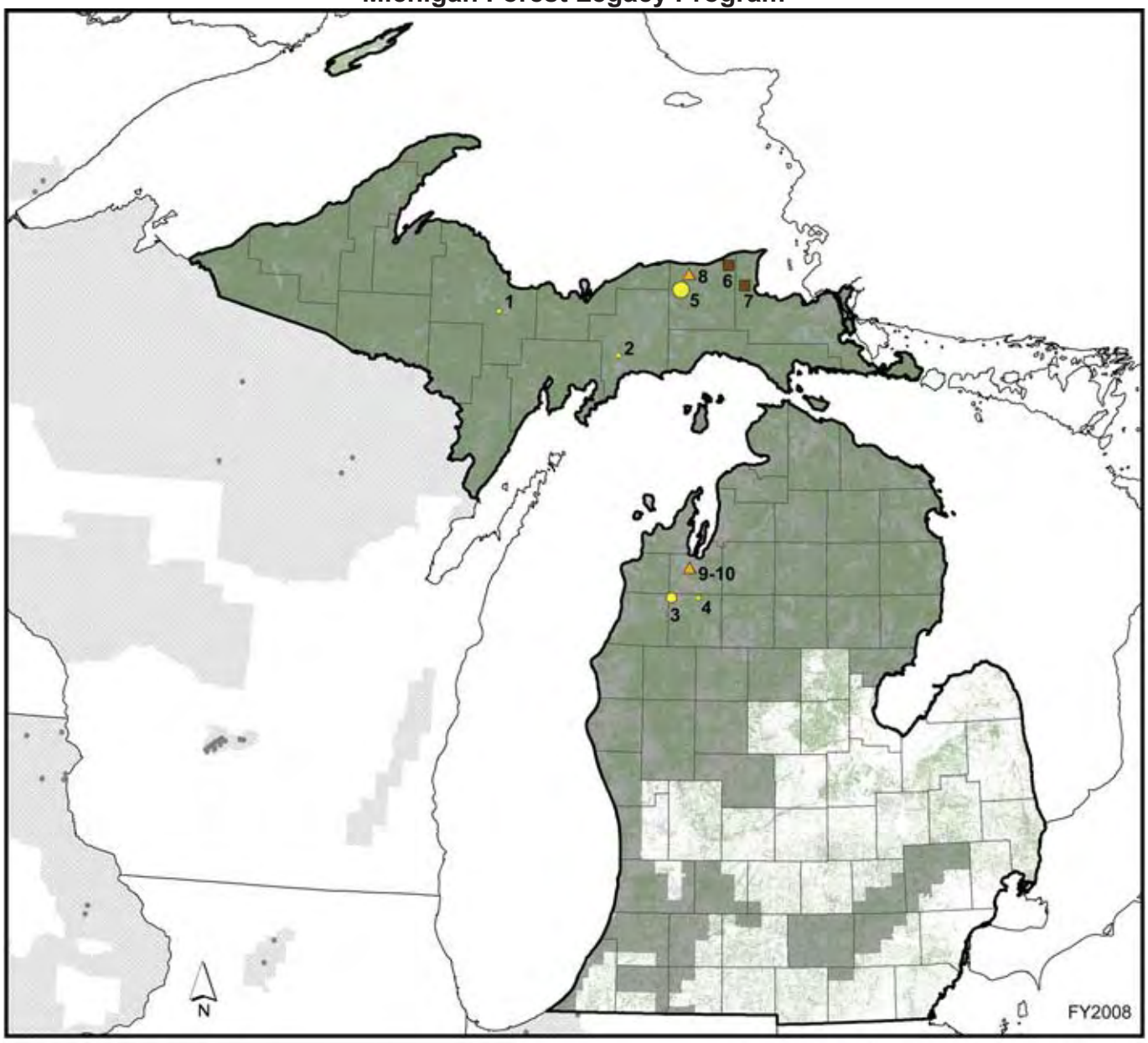
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
36–47	Quabbin Corridor Connection 7–18	Worcester	769	$2,398,000	$2,211,000
This project extends over a 9-mile expanse of rolling hills and intact forest lands, adding crucial links to 80,000 acres of protected lands.					
48-55	Southern Monadnock Plateau 1–8	Worcester	1,100	4,735,000	2,500,000
Today, about 50 percent of the Mid-State Trail runs through private, unprotected property and along town roads. This large project would help connect tens of thousands of acres protected by the Commonwealth, land trusts, and municipalities.					
Funded Projects Total:			**1,869**	**$7,133,000**	**$4,711,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
56-69	Southern Monadnock Plateau II 1–14	Worcester	1,825	$4,430,000
70–81	Southern Monadnock Plateau III 1–12	Worcester and Middlesex	1,885	4,840,000
This project will build on Phase 1 to conserve working forests facing high threats of conversion due to increasing development pressures. This multiyear effort is creating corridors of protected working forests, linking more than 15,000 acres of protected lands in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.				
82-92	Metacomet-Monadnock Forest 1–11	Franklin and Worcester	1,055	2,225,000
This project is the first of a three-phase strategy targeting 5,000 acres of institutional and private forest land centered in some of the largest unfragmented forest blocks in the Massachusetts and New Hampshire Quabbin to Cardigan corridor.				
93-98	Monson Forest Lands 1–6	Hamden	749	3,040,000
This project is a focused collaborative effort to conserve prime forest strategically located within a matrix of over 2,000 acres of conserved land stretching into Connecticut and will leverage support for a broad land conservation effort being developed through a bistate regional partnership.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**5,514**	**$14,535,000**

Michigan Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Identify and protect environmentally important, privately owned forests threatened by conversion to uses inconsistent with traditional forest uses
- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by parcelization/subdivision and development
- Provide environmental benefits through the protection of riparian areas, native forest plants and animals, and natural ecosystem functions
- Maintain scenic resources
- Enhance recreational opportunities
- Promote forest stewardship
- Provide undeveloped buffer areas to already protected areas
- Complement other State or Federal interests or assistance programs
- Protect rare, threatened, and endangered species
- Enhance habitat connectivity

Assessment of Need approved February 20, 2004

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Michigan Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Michigan Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–2	Central Upper Peninsula	Marquette and Schoolcraft	160	$161,000	$106,000
3–4	Northern Wexford	Wexford	200	500,000	375,000
5	Northern Great Lakes Forest 1	Multiple	36,716	5,507,000	1,970,000
Completed Projects Total:			**37,076**	**$6,168,000**	**$2,451,000**

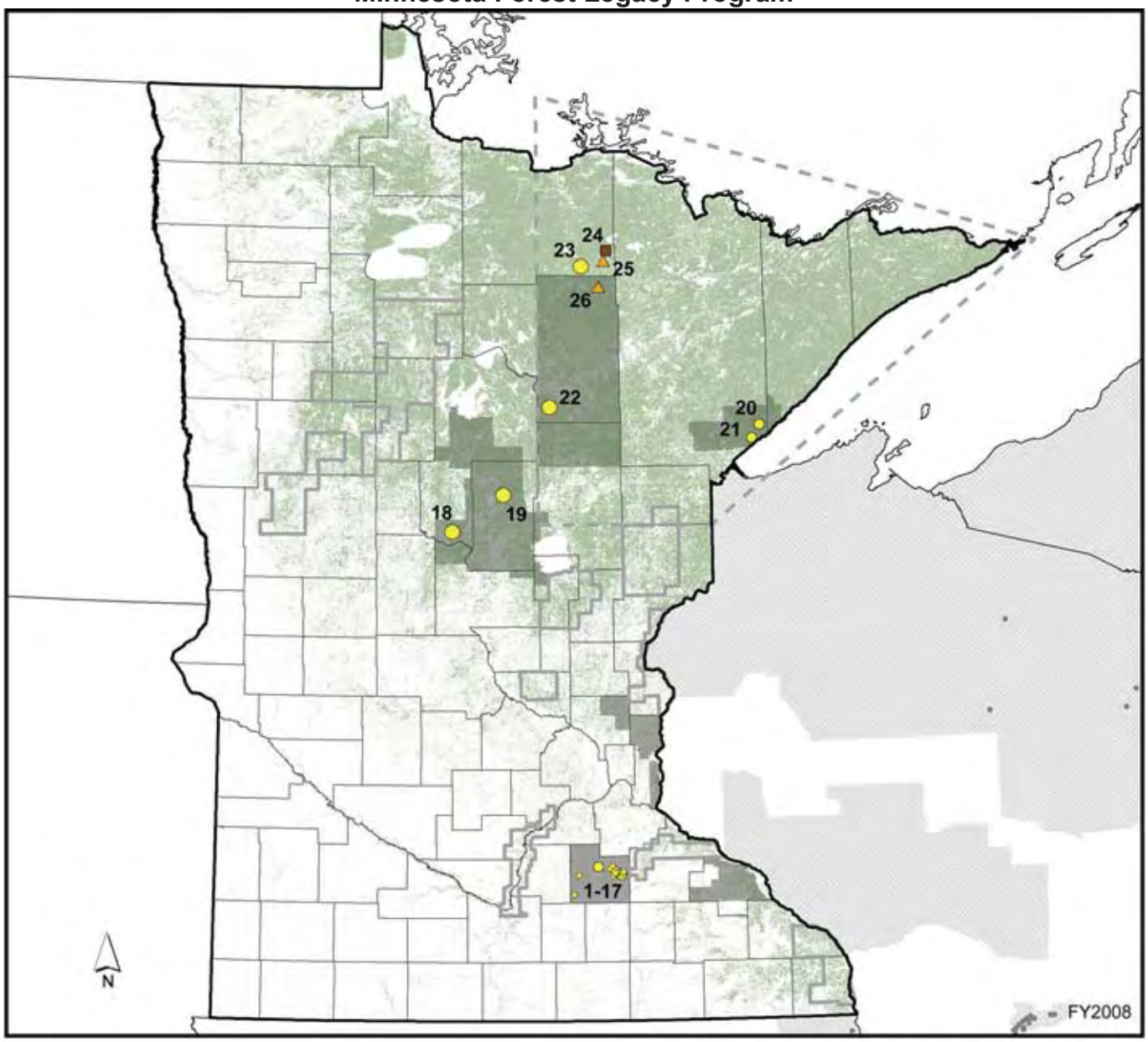
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
6–7	Northern Great Lakes Forest 2–3	Multiple	83,986	$13,110,000	$5,449,000
This project will acquire a conservation easement on 150,991 acres of northern hardwood forest and freshwater wetland resources in two phases. Public recreational access will be acquired. The FLP acquisitions are part of a larger project that involves land protection through fee purchase and conservation easement acquisitions on a total of 271,124 acres.					
Funded Projects Total:			**83,986**	**$13,110,000**	**$5,449,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
8	Northern Great Lakes Forest 4	Multiple	30,289	$4,830,000
Additional parts of a conservation easement project in which the total land protected through FLP will be 150,991 acres.				
9–10	Glacial Hills	Antrim, Benzie, and Manistee	2,342	6,400,000
These two tracts will protect forest lands that are inholdings and adjacent to the Arcadia Dunes Nature Preserve and protect a tract of prime forest land that has been actively managed for high-quality tree production by the same family since 1905.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**32,631**	**$11,230,000**

Minnesota Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Prevent conversion of private forest lands most likely threatened by development in the next decade
- Encourage all eligible organizations and agencies to focus on and protect the most threatened forests
- Work with organizations and agencies to protect specific forest tracts from development

Assessment of Need approved February 29, 2000
AON amended February 18, 2005

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Minnesota Forest Legacy Area - Active (Forested | Non-Forested)

Minnesota Forest Legacy Area - Candidate

Mixed Laurentian Province Forest Legacy Area

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Minnesota Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–6	Nerstrand Woods 1–6	Rice	464	$1,251,000	$1,001,000
7–12	Seven Mile Woods 1–6	Rice	347	869,000	478,000
13–14	Cannon River Wilderness 1–2	Rice	84	184,000	135,000
15–16	Cannon River Big Woods 1–2	Rice	148	724,000	566,000
17	Big Woods Heritage Forest	Rice	128	409,000	0
18–19	Brainerd Lakes 1–2	Cass and Crow Wing	4,770	3,600,000	2,700,000
20–21	North Duluth 1–2	St. Louis	768	720,000	365,000
22	Sugar Hills	Itasca	1,659	1,800,000	750,000
23	Koochiching Forest 1	Koochiching	51,163	12,000,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**59,531**	**$21,557,000**	**$5,995,000**

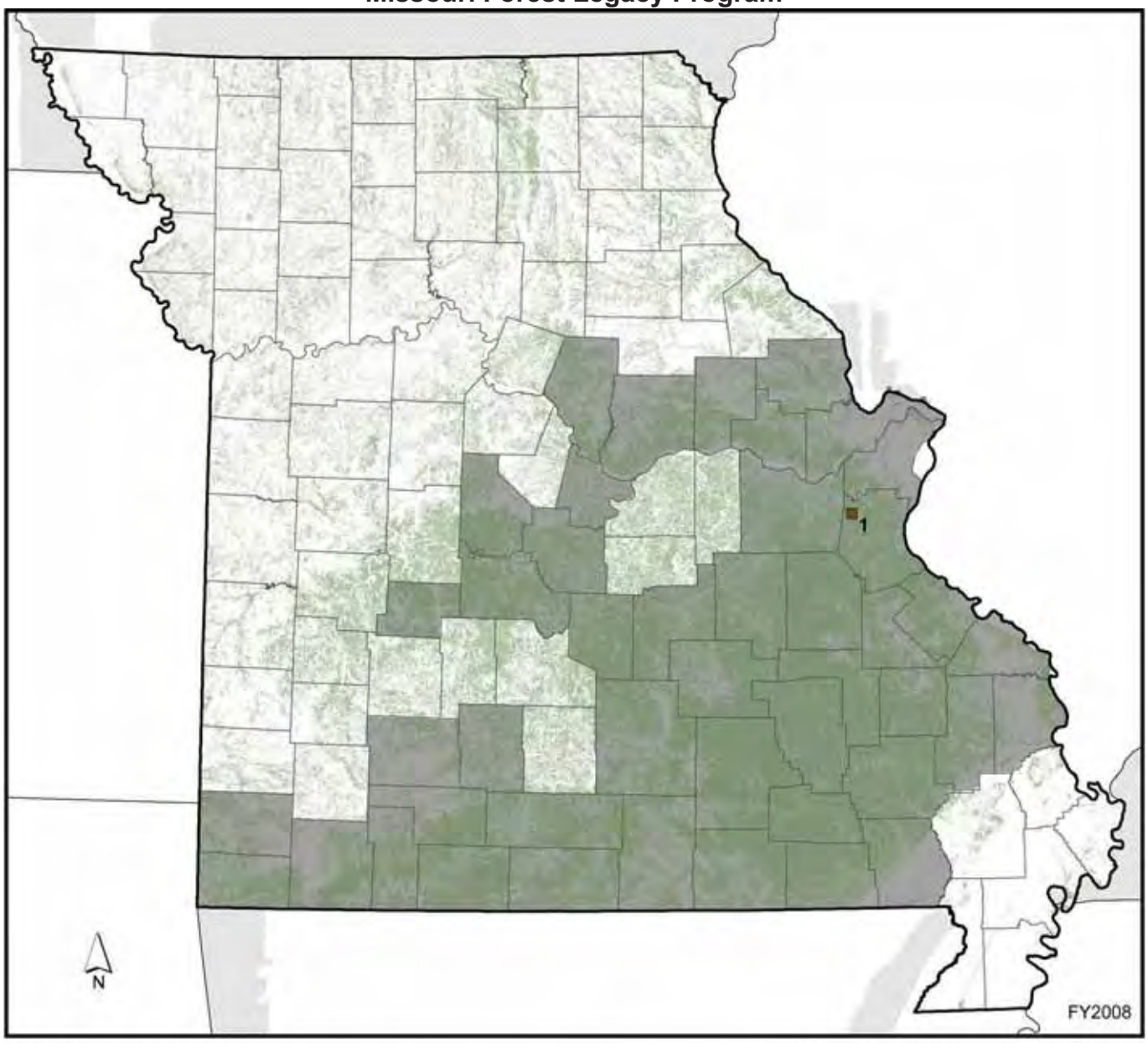
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
24	Koochiching Forest 2	Koochiching	38,331	$7,000,000	$3,464,000
This property, located adjacent to the Superior National Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation, and Minnesota's largest State Forest, contains 21 Federal or State endangered or threatened species, including Canada lynx, timber wolf, orchids, and a rare tiger beetle.					
Funded Projects Total:			**38,331**	**$7,000,000**	**$3,464,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
25	Koochiching Forest 3	Koochiching	38,300	$7,000,000
26	Koochiching Forest 4	Koochiching and Itasca	13,502	$6,000,000
These additional phases of this project, when combined with earlier phases, will protect over 141,000 acres of working forests in Northern Minnesota.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**51,832**	**$13,000,000**

Missouri Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

– To maintain large blocks of important privately owned forest land that will supply the infrastructure to protect and conserve the important forest values for which the forest was selected. These values are critical watersheds and water supply protection, species richness, native forest ecosystems, karst features, and species of conservation concern. Protection will be in accordance with providing for economic visibility and stability, forest stewardship, and sustainability through the promotion of working forests.

Assessment of Need approved August 5, 2005

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Missouri Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

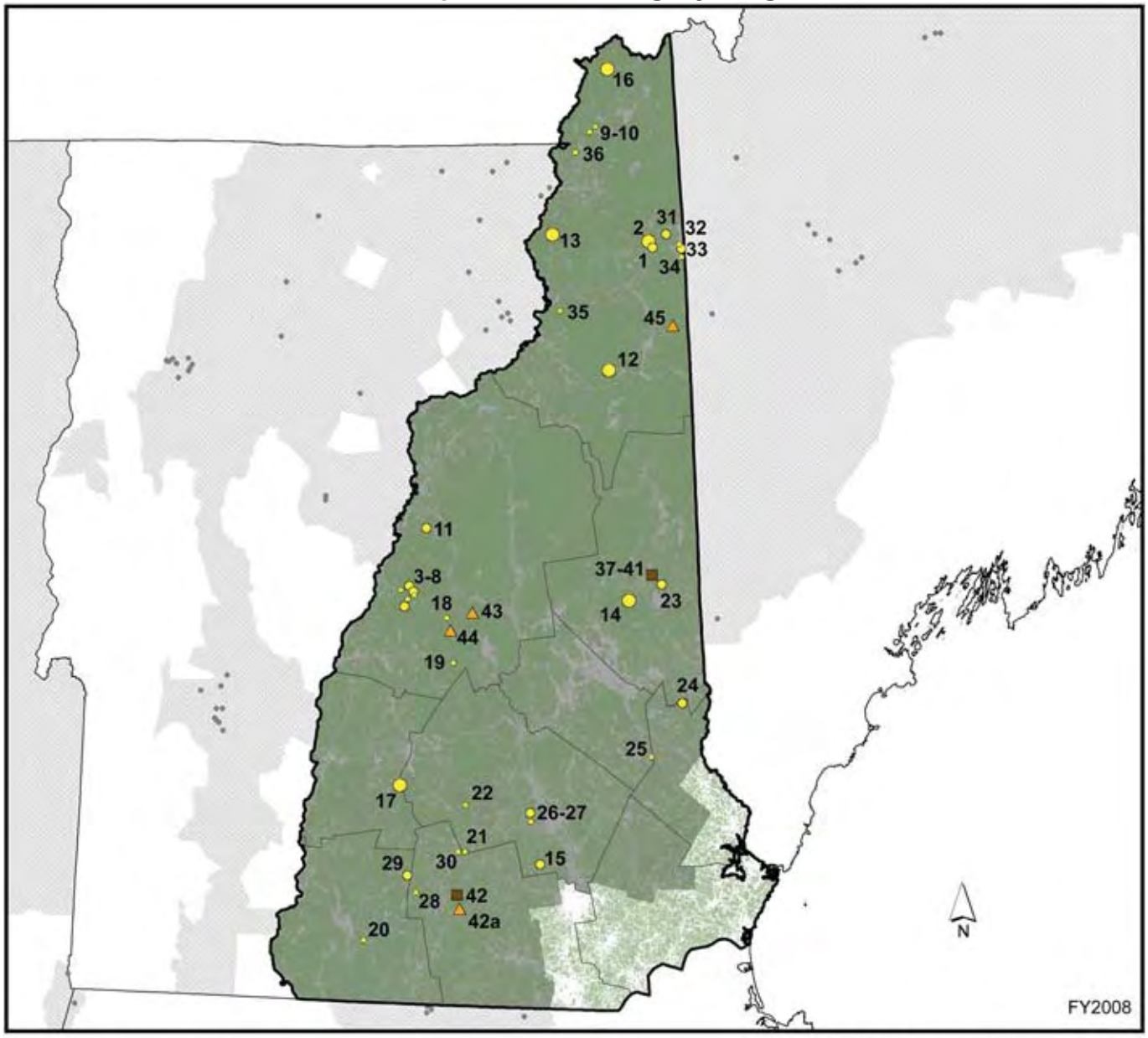
- Funded
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Missouri Forest Legacy Program

Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	LaBarque Creek	Jefferson	154	$1,510,000	$500,000
LaBarque Creek features over 6.5 miles of permanently flowing, very high-quality stream habitat. This project protects about 10 percent of the creek's length. The watershed's underlying sandstone geology, very uncommon in Missouri, supports five different types of rare, imperiled high-quality natural communities, as well as many State-listed Species of Conservation Concern.					
Funded Projects Total:			**154**	**$1,510,000**	**$500,000**

New Hampshire Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Expand existing protected forests
- Protect large blocks of forest land
- Provide for traditional forest uses
- Protect critical wildlife habitat

Assessment of Need approved February 11, 1994
AON amended February 29, 2000

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

New Hampshire Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 500 acres
- Completed 501 - 5,000 acres
- Completed over 5,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

New Hampshire Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–2	Thirteen Mile Woods 1–2	Coos	8,070	$4,605,000	$2,195,000
3–8	Smarts Mountain 1–6	Grafton	3,911	879,000	873,000
9–10	Jahoda and Jahoda/Johnson	Coos	400	157,000	157,000
11	Piermont Mountain	Grafton	1,650	219,000	219,000
12	Pond of Safety	Coos	10,198	3,844,000	2,109,000
13	Bunnell Mountain	Coos	18,430	2,050,000	1,675,000
14	Ossipee Mountains	Carroll	5,372	1,685,000	1,400,000
15	Kimball Pond	Merrimack	972	1,085,000	700,000
16	Connecticut Lakes Headwaters	Coos	146,290	15,325,000	11,494,000
17–22	Pillsbury-Sunapee Highlands 1–6	Grafton, Sullivan, and Merrimack	7,786	3,567,000	2,499,000
23	Trout Pond	Carroll	2,660	2,130,000	1,184,000
24–25	Moose Mountain 1–2	Strafford and Carroll	2,318	1,460,000	988,000
26–27	Rossview 1–2	Merrimack	642	2,720,000	1,970,000
28–30	Willard Pond 1–3	Hillsborough	2,323	4,802,000	3,535,000
31–36	Northern Forest Tracts 1–6	Coos	4,082	3,302,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**215,104**	**$47,830,000**	**$30,998,000**

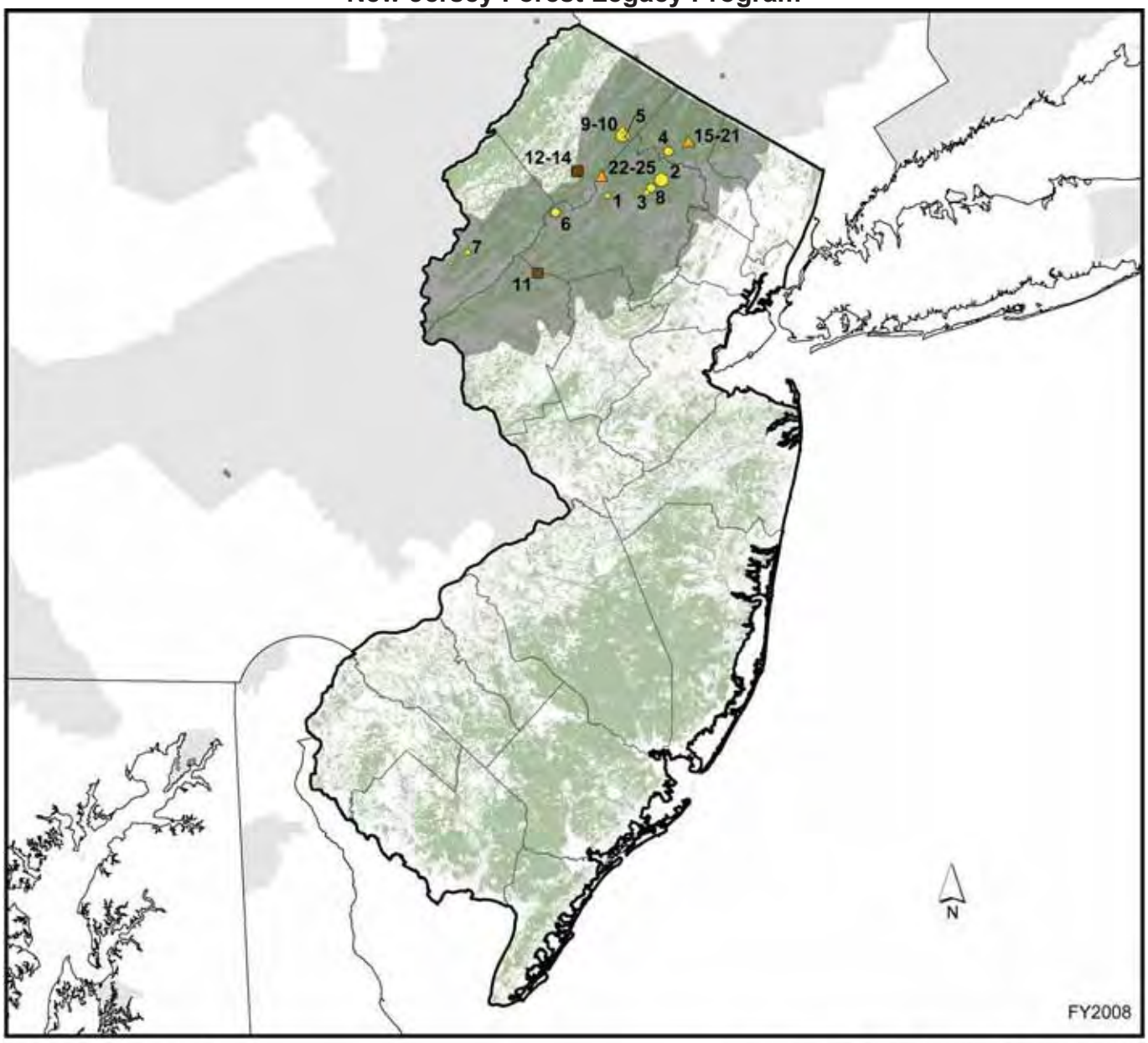
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
37–41	Ossipee Pine Barrens 1–5	Carroll	2,290	$3,883,000	$2,355,000
The Ossipee Pine Barrens ecosystem is the last of its kind in New Hampshire. It contains exceptional natural resources, including pitch pine-scrub oak barrens, extensive wetlands, productive forest soils, an abundance of rare species, and outstanding wildlife habitat.					
42	Crotched Mountain	Hillsborough	1,165	5,000,000	990,000
The managed forests around the Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center are a certified Tree Farm. This project will continue a 50-year tradition of integrating exemplary forest stewardship with critical care and rehabilitative therapy for people with disabilities.					
Funded Projects Total:			**3,455**	**$8,883,000**	**$3,345,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
42a	Crotched Mountain	Hillsborough	See #42	See #42
This project is an additional part of a conservation easement in southern New Hampshire that will continue to offer rehabilitative therapy for people with disabilities.				
43	Green Acre Woodlands	Grafton	6,578	$4,827,000
This project is part of an effort to connect existing conservation lands to achieve conservation at the landscape scale and will protect important ecosystem services, including surface and ground water, fish and wildlife habitat, unique forest communities, and recreational opportunities.				
44	Kimball Hill	Grafton	2,700	1,800,000
This property is a key linkage in the north-south corridor of unfragmented forest land that reaches through the Cardigan Highlands and the Newfound Lake watershed to the southwestern boundary of the White Mountain National Forest in Rumney.				
45	Success	Coos	15,200	6,500,000
Located in the Androscoggin River valley, the property contains productive forest land, valuable lowland spruce-fir, and northern hardwood-conifer forests all growing on productive soils. It is also home to many different types of wildlife.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**24,478**	**$13,127,000**

New Jersey Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect some of the last extensive unbroken forests
- Provide a great diversity of natural resources
- Protect important and unique wildlife habitat and critical migration routes
- Provide public recreation opportunities
- Protect high-quality drinking water supplies

Assessment of Need approved October 26, 1994

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

New Jersey Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 500 acres
- Completed 501 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

New Jersey Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	RTC/FDIC	Morris	145	$412,000	$412,000
2	Buck Mountain	Morris	1,200	4,300,000	200,000
3	Meriden	Morris	295	7,000,000	350,000
4	Macopin	Passaic	700	1,432,000	700,000
5	Highlands Greenway	Sussex	257	859,000	600,000
6	Crown Towers	Morris	611	7,350,000	3,176,000
7	Buckhorn Creek	Warren	433	3,254,000	1,664,000
8	Farny Highlands	Morris	528	6,120,000	1,021,000
9–10	Lake Gerard 1–2	Sussex	1,244	5,940,000	1,440,000
Completed Projects Total:			**5,413**	**$36,667,000**	**$9,563,000**

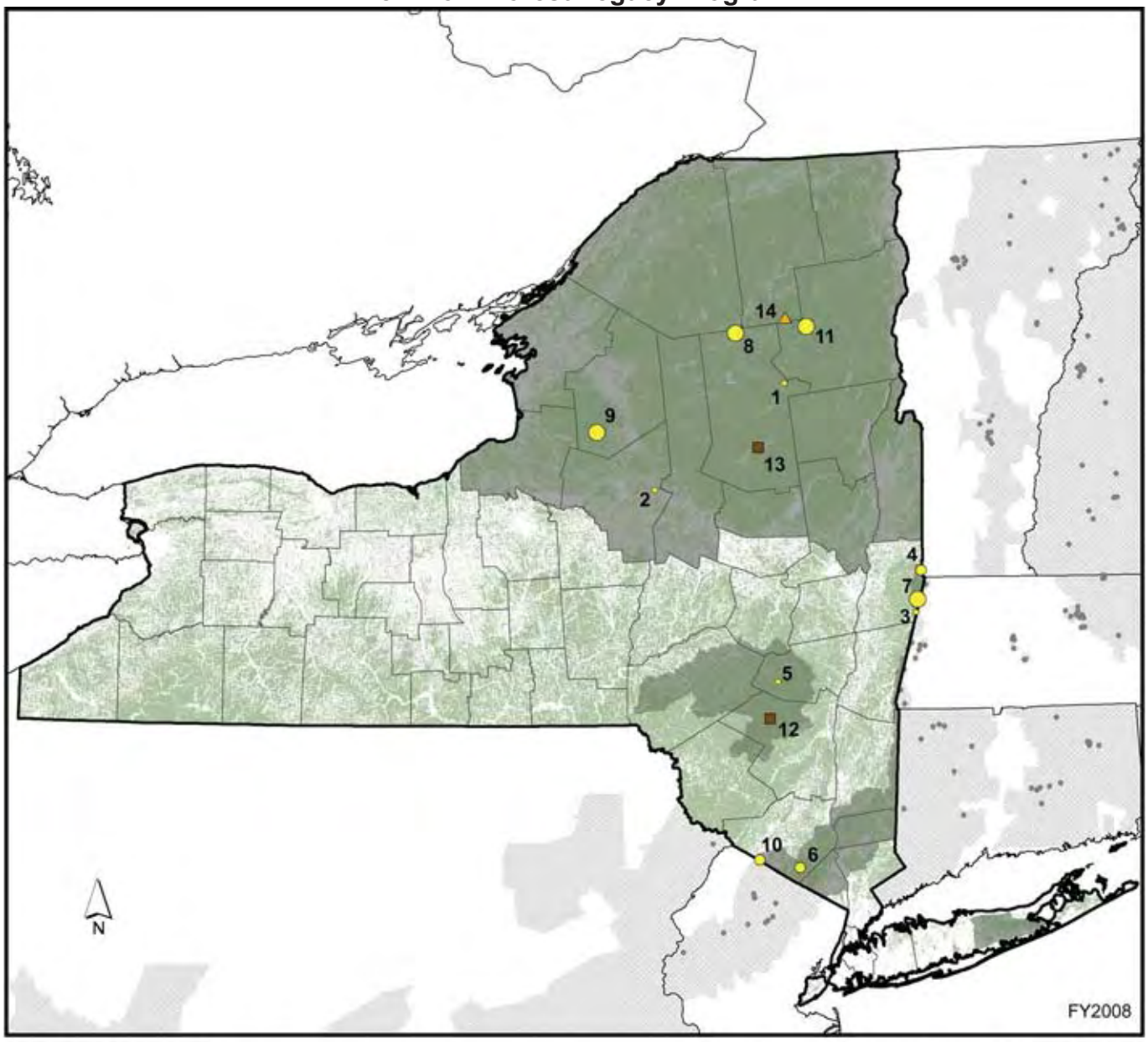
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
11	Raritan River Watershed	Hunterdon	228	$4,200,000	$3,747,000
This tract is critical to the protection of the area's forest cover and water supply. The property is connected to other publicly protected lands.					
12–14	Sparta Mountain South 1–3	Sussex	2,000	9,200,000	4,247,000
The Sparta Mountain chain is a significant geologic feature within the federally designated Highlands Region. The mountain extends from the Allamuchy Range at Allamuchy State Park northward to the Sparta Mountain Wildlife Management Area.					
Funded Projects Total:			**2,228**	**$13,400,000**	**$7,994,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
15–21	Passaic Ramapo Watershed	Sussex	1,428	$16,543,000
These tracts are adjacent to public protected forests. The protection of these parcels will further expand and connect the protected contiguous acreage to preserve an even denser forest. These parcels will protect potable water resources, facilitate biodiversity, and allow for public recreation.				
22–25	Musconetcong & Rockaway Rivers Watersheds	Morris	1,515	14,750,000
The project will protect public water resources and biodiversity, and allow for public recreation. Due to the proximity of these parcels to adjacent public and protected forest land, their preservation will further expand contiguous acreage of denser forests and promote forest health.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**2,943**	**$31,293,000**

New York Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect traditional forest uses
- Provide public recreation opportunities
- Protect water quality
- Protect scenic quality
- Protect wildlife habitat

Assessment of Need approved October 26, 1994
AON amended April 18, 2002

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

New York Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 200 acres
- Completed 201 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

New York Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Indian Lake	Hamilton	141	$86,000	$86,000
2	Brown	Oneida	119	120,000	120,000
3–4	Fox and Pownal Tanning	Rensselaer	378	231,000	131,000
5	Greene Frog	Greene	70	66,000	66,000
6	Sterling Forest	Orange	847	4,270,000	2,000,000
7	George Allen	Rensselaer	1,313	437,000	350,000
8	Adirondack Lakes	Hamilton	10,056	6,102,000	2,500,000
9	East Branch of Fish Creek	Lewis	31,230	3,140,000	2,362,000
10	Pochuck Mountain	Orange	515	2,678,000	1,284,000
11	Tahawus	Essex	6,813	5,096,000	1,676,000
Completed Projects Total:			**51,482**	**$22,226,000**	**$10,575,000**

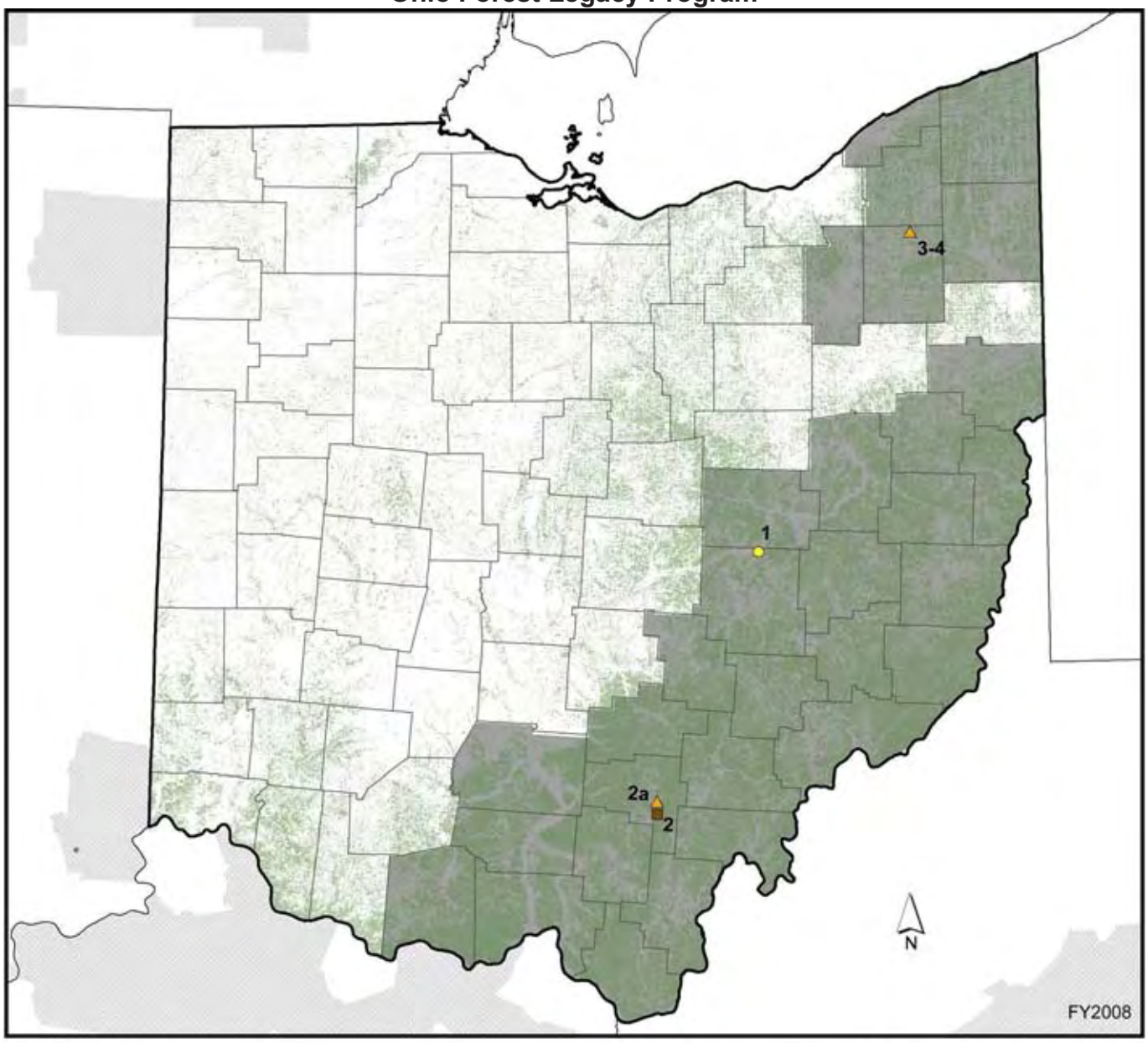
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
12	Ticeteneyck Mountain	Ulster	475	$1,500,000	$500,000
This project in the New York City watershed is part of the Ashokan Reservoir system. The property involves most of the south-facing slopes and portions of the east, west, and north slopes beneath the 2,450-foot summit.					
13	Adirondack Working Forest	Multiple	81,188	15,000,000	985,000
This property is part of a 257,000-acre project in the Adirondacks. Through a 3-year phased acquisition, the State will acquire a conservation easement on 255,000 acres from the largest private landowner in the Adirondack Park; 2,000 acres will be acquired in fee.					
Funded Projects Total:			**81,663**	**$16,500,000**	**$1,485,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
14	Follensby Pond	Franklin	14,600	$16,000,000
Privately held for more than a century, the tract includes what is considered the largest privately owned lake in the Northeast (970 acres) and 10 miles of frontage on one of New York's longest rivers, the Raquette. It also shares a 15-mile boundary with the High Peaks Wilderness.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**14,600**	**$16,000,000**

Ohio Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

– Protect working forests, which are defined as a forest with a management plan stating clearly identified management goals that incorporate timber harvesting as an essential management tool.

Assessment of Need approved August 5, 2005

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Ohio Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed under 500 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Ohio Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Muskingum North	Muskingum	436	$349,000	$262,000
Completed Projects Total:			**436**	**$349,000**	**$262,000**

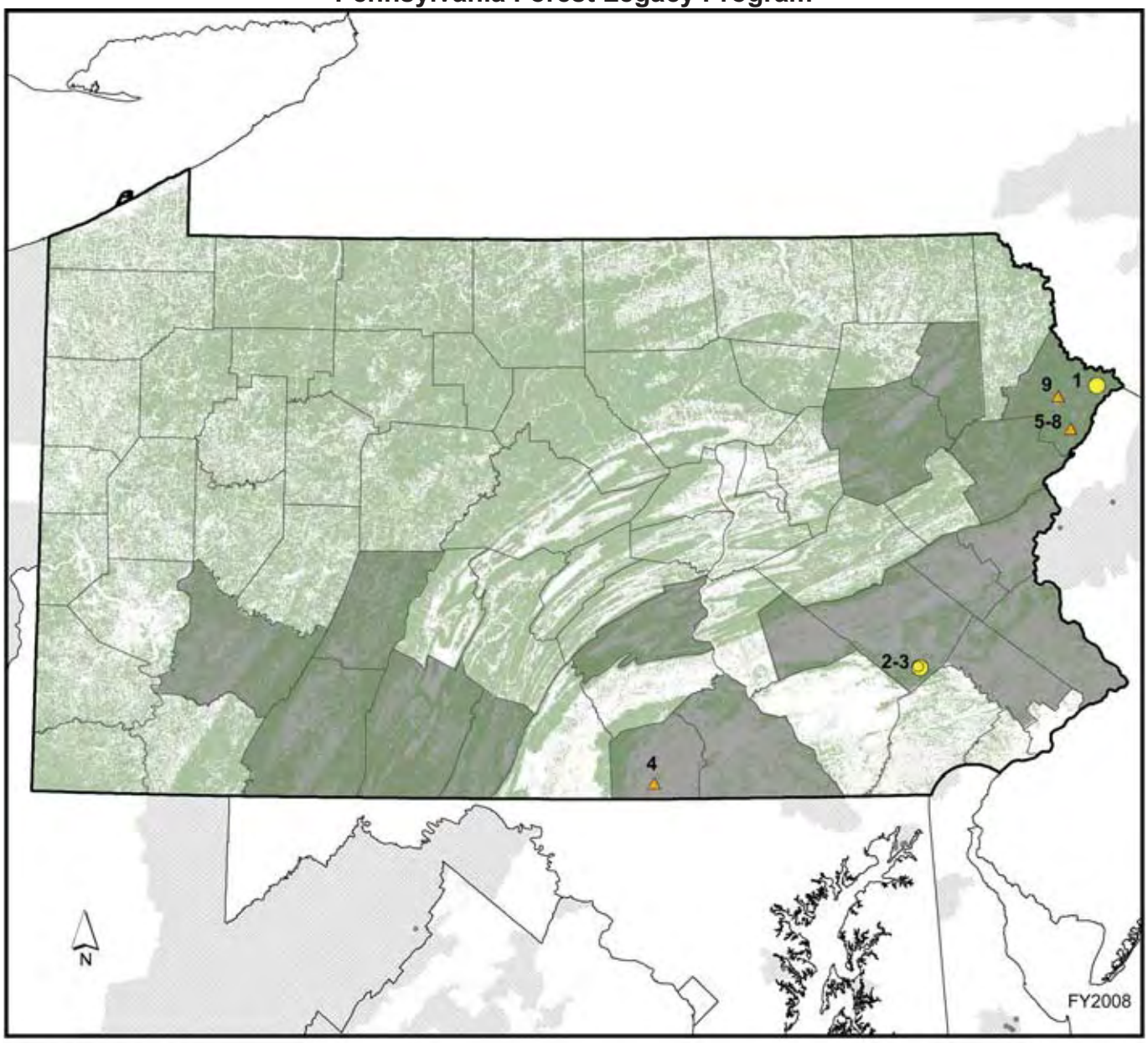
Funded Forest Legacy Tract

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
2	Vinton Furnace Experimental Forest	Vinton	3,200	$6,400,000	$1,188,000
The property is a site for nationally important core forest research including fire ecology, wildlife, soils, and growth studies. The project is part of a 16,000-acre tract that is the single largest privately owned forested block in Ohio.					
Funded Projects Total:			**3,200**	**$6,400,000**	**$1,188,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
2a	Vinton Furnace Experimental Forest	Vinton	See #2	See #2
Forest research has been conducted on this property continually for 55 years by numerous individuals and institutions. Protection of the entire tract will allow the research to continue and build on past research efforts by numerous institutions.				
3–4	Camp Hi	Portage	73	$256,000
The project is strategically located in a high-growth/development area along the Cuyahoga River, one of 18 nationally designated American Heritage Rivers. The tracts contain high-priority woodlands as designated in the Portage County Watersheds Plan.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**73**	**$256,000**

Pennsylvania Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect and sustain working forests
- Maintain private ownership of the land
- Promote environmental integrity
- Promote traditional forest uses
- Promote sustainable forest management
- Maintain and reestablish forests along scenic corridors
- Protect headwaters and streams to enhance water quality

Assessment of Need approved March 7, 2002
AON Amended December 2, 2008

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Pennsylvania Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 0 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Pennsylvania Forest Legacy Program

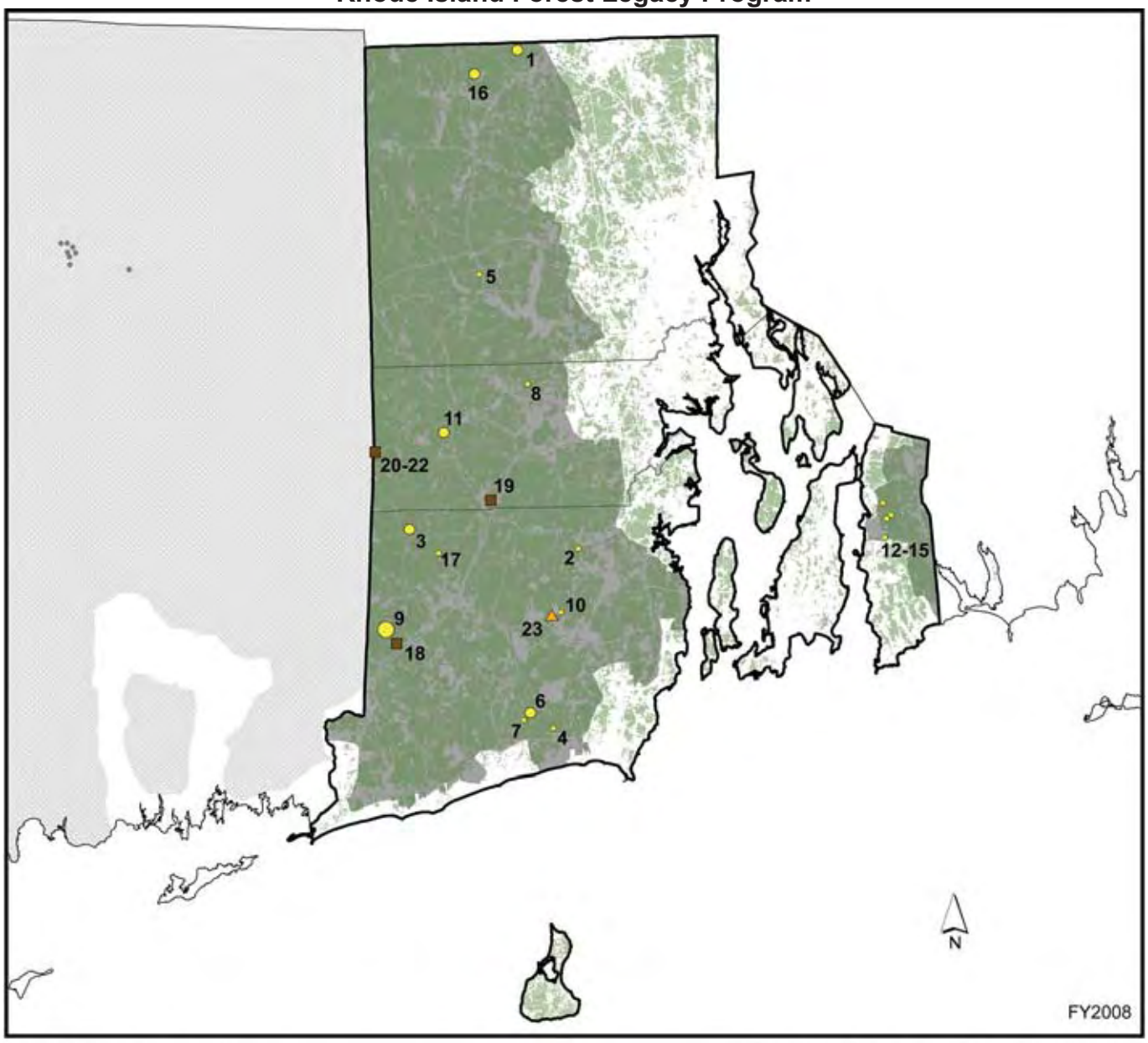
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	History of Forestry 1	Pike	1,191	$4,016,000	$2,216,000
2–3	Birdsboro Waters 1–2	Berks	1,765	$2,200,000	$800,000
Completed Projects Total:			**2,956**	**$6,216,000**	**$3,016,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
4	Tree Farm #1	Adams	2,500	$12,675,000
The property contains the headwaters for Middle Creek, a high-quality cold-water fishery. This property has traditionally been used to provide pulpwood for the paper industry, helping to feed a local mill.				
5–8	Little Bushkill Headwaters 1–4	Pike	4,244	17,200,000
This project is very important to the public water supply because it contains the Little Bushkill, headwaters of the Bushkill and the Delaware Rivers. It also contains a wide array of plant and animal life, including species of special concern, such as the river otter and bald eagle.				
9	Greystone Forest	Pike	314	474,000
This project borders the Lackawaxen River, which is famous for its abundant trout and is one of the five main tributaries of the Delaware River, which flows through Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. The property includes many scenic vistas that overlook the river.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**7,058**	**$30,349,000**

Rhode Island Forest Legacy Program



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Assessment of Need approved December 30, 1993

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Rhode Island Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Rhode Island Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Screech Hole Bog	Providence	132	$53,000	$50,000
2	Queen's River	Washington	80	155,000	155,000
3	Mount Tom Trail	Washington	145	270,000	270,000
4	Susanna's Woods	Washington	75	445,000	445,000
5	Cork Brook	Providence	45	218,000	218,000
6–7	DuVal Trail Corridor 1–2	Washington	211	845,000	724,000
8	Coventry Greenway	Kent	72	296,000	296,000
9	Canonchet	Washington	471	1,000,000	550,000
10	Yawgoo Pond	Washington	68	928,000	528,000
11	Great Grass Pond	Kent	164	495,000	324,000
12–15	Weetamoo Woods 1–4	New Port	148	820,000	498,000
16	Willoughby	Providence	200	575,000	0
17	Pratt Farm	Washington	72	360,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**1,883**	**$6,460,000**	**$4,058,000**

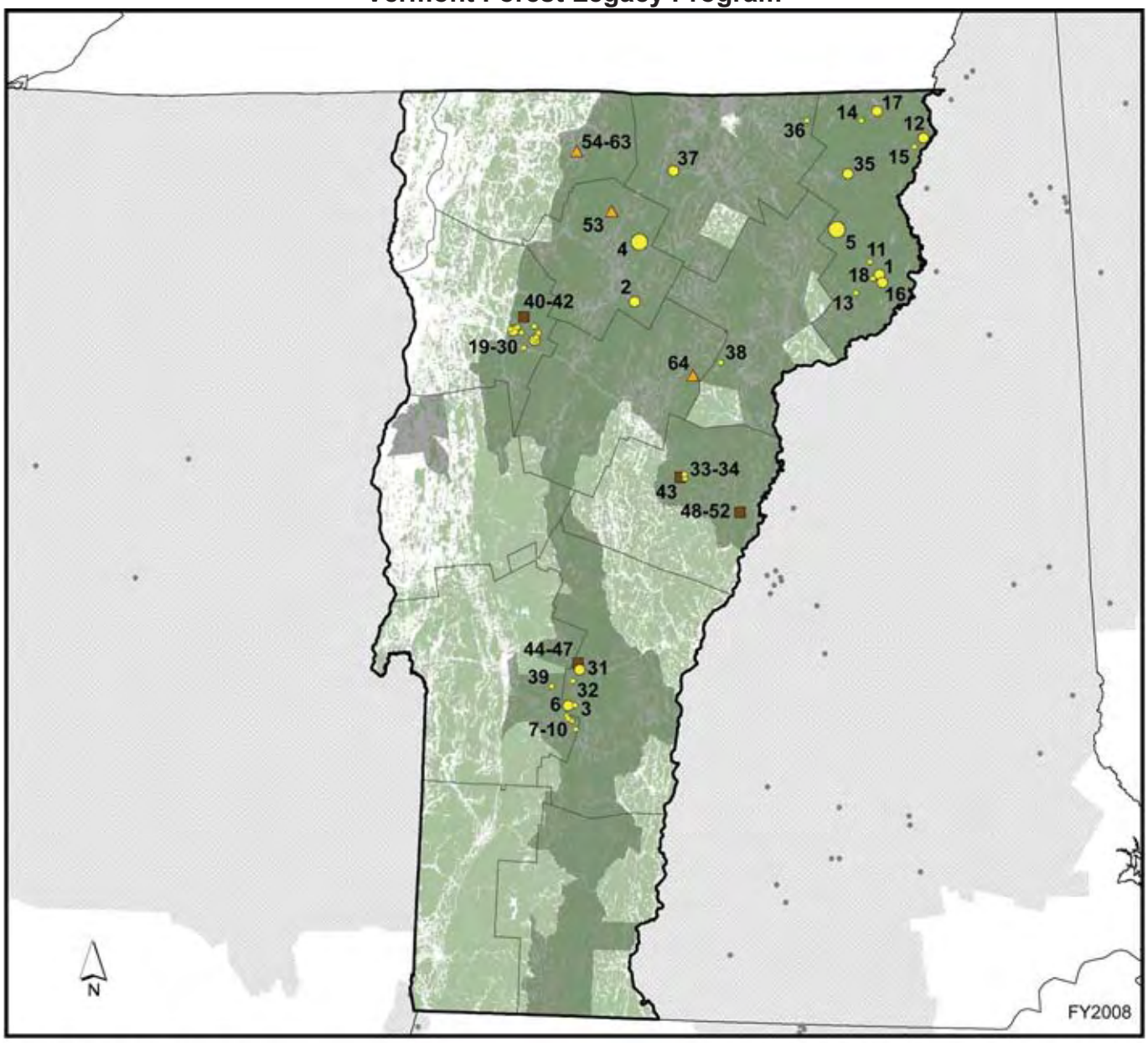
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
18	Hoxsie Farm	Washington	150	$1,117,000	$838,000
This property lies within the watershed of a public drinking water supply for the towns of Westerly and Hopkinton, and includes a tributary stream (Canonchet Brook) and its associated wetlands.					
19	Big River	Kent	69	820,000	591,000
This forested tract within the watershed of a public drinking water supply is actively managed for forest products. The property abuts the State-owned Big River Management Area.					
20–22	Tillinghast Pond 1–3	Kent	1,509	14,620,000	3,000,000
This project will provide the opportunity to manage forest resources, expand public recreational opportunities, protect an important public drinking water supply, and prevent fragmentation and development of one of the largest forested tracts under single ownership in the State.					
Funded Projects Total:			**1,728**	**$16,557,000**	**$4,429,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
23	Yawgoo Pond 2	Washington	87	$2,400,000
This acquisition will protect private and public water supplies and local viewsheds, expand an existing greenway corridor, and, combined with other conserved lands, protect 65 percent of the shoreline of Yawgoo Pond, a unique habitat type (alkaline pond).				
Proposed Projects Total:			**87**	**$2,400,000**

Vermont Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect large contiguous and productive forest blocks
- Protect habitats for wildlife dependent on large contiguous forest blocks
- Protect threatened and endangered species habitat
- Protect State fragile areas and undeveloped shoreline
- Protect significant wetlands
- Protect important recreation corridors

Assessment of Need approved February 11, 1994

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Vermont Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 1,000 acres
- Completed 1,001 - 5,000 acres
- Completed over 5,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Vermont Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Cow Mountain Pond	Essex	1,660	$500,000	$271,000
2	Atlas	Lamoille	2,281	342,000	342,000
3	Wilderness Corp.	Windsor	2,086	771,000	618,000
4	Green River	Lamoille	5,113	2,526,000	1,776,000
5	Hancock	Essex and Orleans	31,450	2,847,000	2,500,000
6	Snow	Windsor	560	200,000	200,000
7–10	Mt. Holly Wildlife Corridor 1–4	Windsor and Rutland	1,490	1,908,000	1,438,000
11-18	Northeast Kingdom 1–8	Essex	5,981	2,528,000	1,568,000
19–30	Chittenden Uplands 1–12	Chittenden	5,321	4,880,000	3,400,000
31	Chateauguay/No Town	Windsor	1,175	950,000	550,000
32	Green Mountain Corridor 1	Windsor	8	160,000	120,000
33–34	Orange Headwaters 1–2	Orange	18	155,000	0
35–39	Vermont Cost Share Tracts	Various	7,805	1,552,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**64,948**	**$19,319,000**	**$12,783,000**

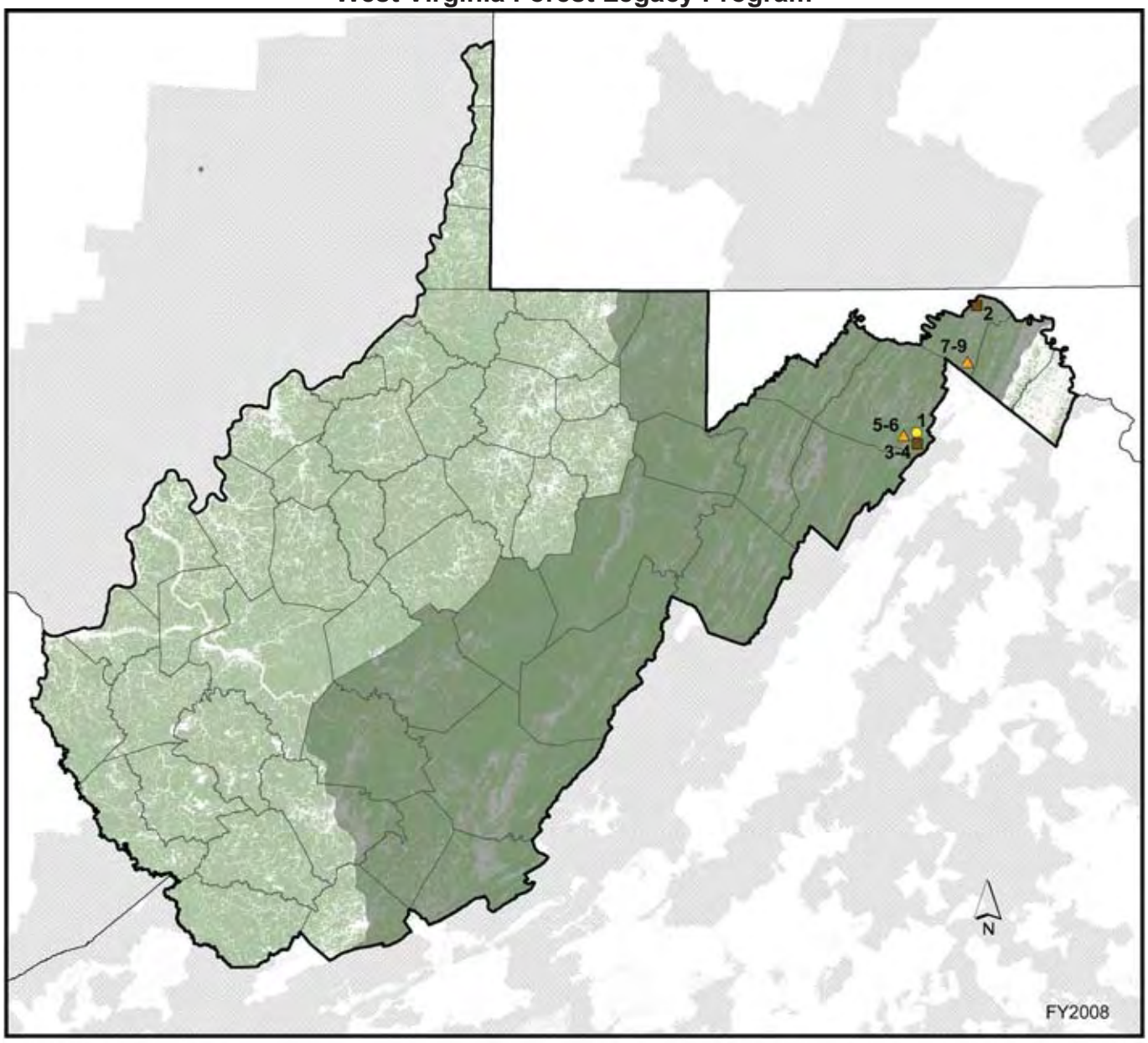
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
40–42	Chittenden Uplands 13–15	Chittenden	617	$514,000	$514,000
This project will conserve forest land in Vermont's most populated area. Properties include very productive, rich woodlands with tremendous plant diversity. Forest types range from northern hardwoods to pine stands and oak communities.					
43	Orange Headwaters 3	Orange	1,526	760,000	760,000
Located at the headwaters of the Connecticut and Winooski Rivers, this project is characterized by calcium-rich soils. This parcel is an outstanding producer of high-quality northern hardwoods, particularly sugar maples.					
44–47	Green Mountain Corridor 2–5	Windsor	861	1,315,000	1,063,000
This project continues previous FLP efforts in the area to conserve and protect property strategically located within the designated wildlife corridor between the north and south units of the Green Mountain National Forest.					
48–52	West Fairlee Community Forest 1–5	Orange	1,839	1,849,000	1,485,000
The conserved area will protect and enhance important wildlife habitat and productive forests, provide for unique recreational opportunities, and protect a critical source for public drinking water. It also combines 11 separate forested ownerships into a single parcel.					
Funded Projects Total:			**4,843**	**$4,438,000**	**$3,822,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
53	Eden Forest	Lamoille	5,727	$5,335,000
The project shares a 4-mile boundary with the Long Trail corridor, the Nation's oldest long-distance hiking trail and one of Vermont's most cherished cultural resources. The property includes more than 46 miles of streams and 9 wetlands to make up the Gihon River Headwaters.				
54–63	Adams Pond 1–10	Franklin	1,932	2,170,000
The proposed project provides an important wildlife corridor from the Champlain Valley Biophysical Region to the Northern Green Mountains, serving as an ecotone between these two regions and their differing topography, climate, and species composition.				
64	Hardwood Mountain	Washington	2,208	1,200,000
This property, which contains the headwaters of the Winooski River and is adjacent to Groton State Forest, will expand recreational opportunities on the State forest and continue to provide quality timber products as it has been doing for over 50 years.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**9,867**	**$8,705,000**

West Virginia Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Maintain large and intact forest land tracts
- Invest in areas that will not be engulfed by other land uses
- Conserve tracts with significant timber resource values
- Support communities by conserving the raw materials for the timber, recreation, and tourism industries
- Maintain important water features by conserving working forests, wetlands, and riparian buffers
- Sustain the most ecologically significant areas of the State

Assessment of Need approved December 2, 2003

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

West Virginia Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed under 800 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

West Virginia Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	South Branch 1	Hampshire	764	$458,000	$344,000
Completed Projects Total:			**764**	**$458,000**	**$344,000**

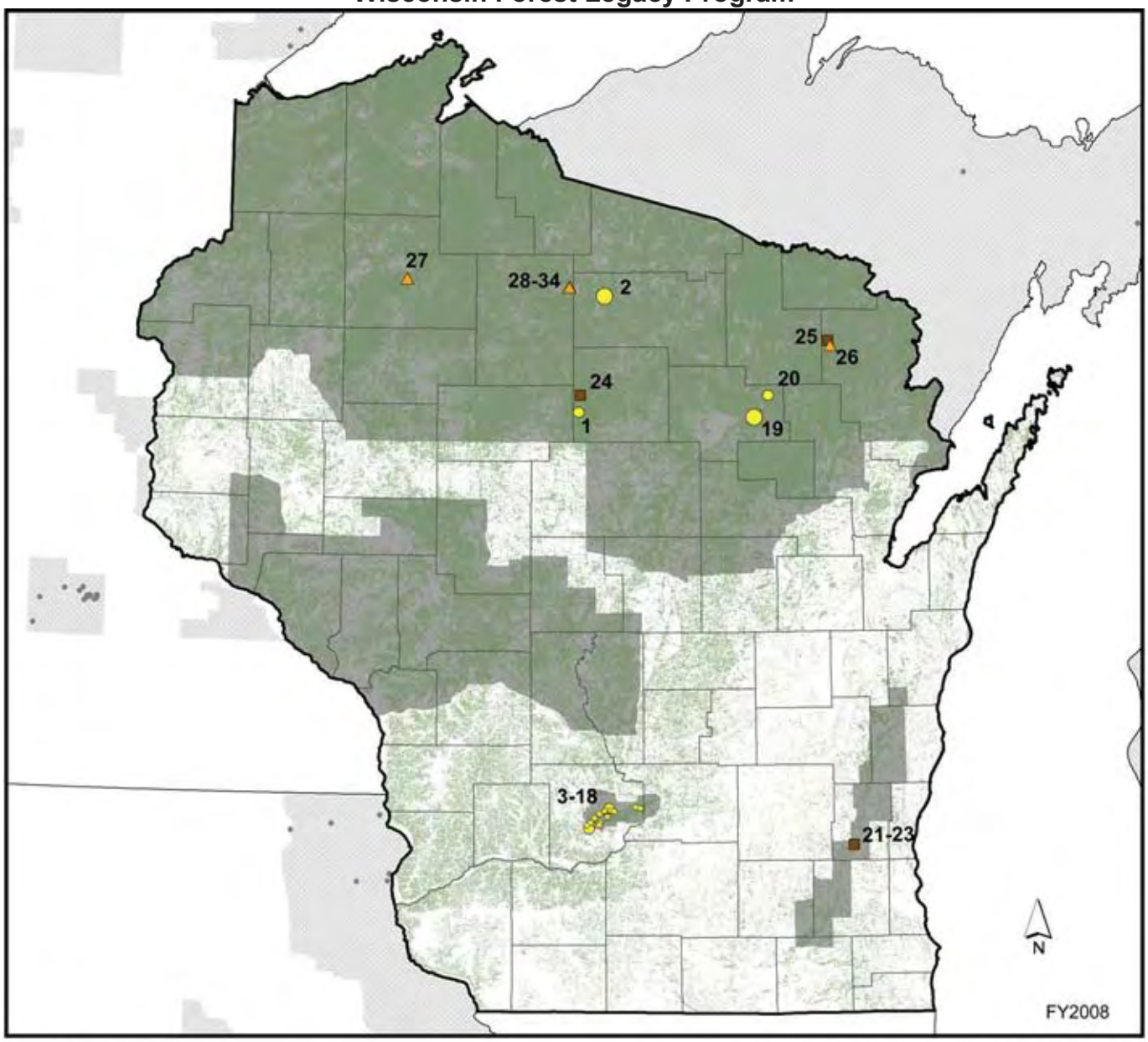
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
2	Potomac River Hills	Morgan	2,800	$3,735,000	$2,267,000
These important forests either adjoin or are near the Potomac River in a rapidly growing area. They offer scenic vistas, maintain an important watershed, and secure a productive forest land base. The Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail runs along most of the river's length.					
3–4	South Branch 2–3	Hampshire	490	1,188,000	891,000
This project will maintain critical riparian zones and enhance water quality along tributaries that flow into the Potomac River, which is known as the "Nation's River" and is the water source for Washington, DC.					
Funded Projects Total:			**3,290**	**$4,923,000**	**$3,158,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
5–6	South Branch 4–5	Hampshire	672	$1,040,000
These additional tracts along the South Branch of the Potomac River will add to the conservation efforts in the scenic area known as the Trough.				
7–9	Sleepy Creek 1–3	Morgan	477	1,005,000
The project is located in the Eastern Panhandle of the State, an area that has become the bedroom community for many metropolitan centers in Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Washington DC.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**1,149**	**$2,045,000**

Wisconsin Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

– Minimize fragmentation and conversion of significant forested areas to nonforest uses through the wise administration of conservation easements that focus on the sustainable use of forest resources

Assessment of Need approved January 16, 2001

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Wisconsin Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 10,000 acres
- Completed over 10,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Wisconsin Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2008

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–2	Tomahawk Northwoods 1–2	Multiple	35,337	$13,251,000	$5,000,000
3–18	Baraboo Hills 1–16	Sauk	924	1,353,000	994,000
19–20	Wolf River 1–2	Langlade	18,511	9,181,000	3,056,000
Completed Projects Total:			**54,772**	**$23,785,000**	**$9,050,000**

Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
21–23	Holy Hills 1-3	Washington	198	$3,131,000	$1,975,000
This project includes three properties near Holy Hill. Holy Hill is on the register of National Historic Places and draws over 30,000 visitors per year. The last vestiges of unbroken forests in eastern Wisconsin, comprised of rich upland forests, are found in the Holy Hills.					
24	Tomahawk Northwoods 3	Oneida	1,546	4,000,000	1,972,000
This area was acquired with a fee simple purchase as part of the Willow Flowage Scenic Water Area. This phase will protect over 7 miles of scenic river frontage lands and will protect a significant portion of the river corridor from the Willow Flowage to Lake Nokomis, which is mostly undeveloped.					
25	Wild Rivers	Marinette	7,260	3,075,000	2,275,000
Managed for over 80 years for high-value northern hardwoods, these forests are vital to the local and regional economy, and provide habitat for several State-listed threatened and endangered species, including migrant songbirds, timber wolves, and the red-shouldered hawk.					
Funded Projects Total:			**9,004**	**$10,206,000**	**$6,222,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
26	Wild Rivers	Marinette	7,316	$3,126,000
The State is requesting additional funding to fully protect this 14,576-acre forested tract.				
27	Chippewa Flowage	Sawyer	18,289	$7,760,000
This project will add tremendous conservation value to nearby lands by virtue of its high-quality natural resources and its location as an unprotected gap between the Chippewa Flowage, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, and the Lac Courte Oreilles tribal forest lands.				
28–34	Northwoods Forest Partners 1–7	Vilas and Price	5,732	2,460,000
This project consists of acquiring conservation easements on seven nonindustrial private tracts in northern Wisconsin. These lands will help protect important environmental corridors that link forest lands, State lands, and national forests.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**31,337**	**$13,346,000**

Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry Forest Legacy Program Contacts

The following pages contain contact information for Federal and State staff who are involved with the Forest Legacy Program in the 20 Northeastern and Midwestern States served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (NAS&PF), a branch of the Forest Service. Included is the scope of responsibility of the NAS&PF staff in the implementation of the Forest Legacy Program.

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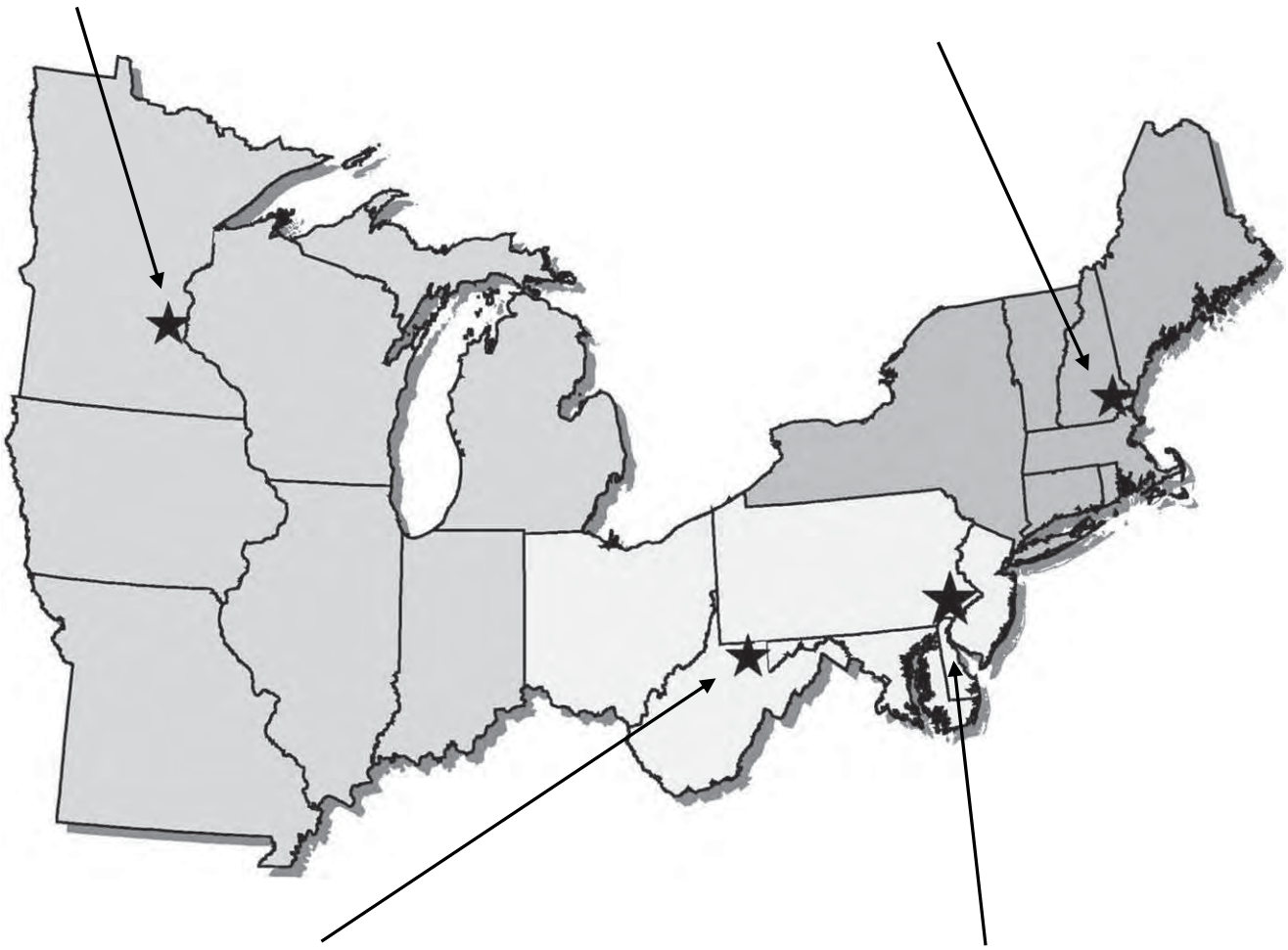

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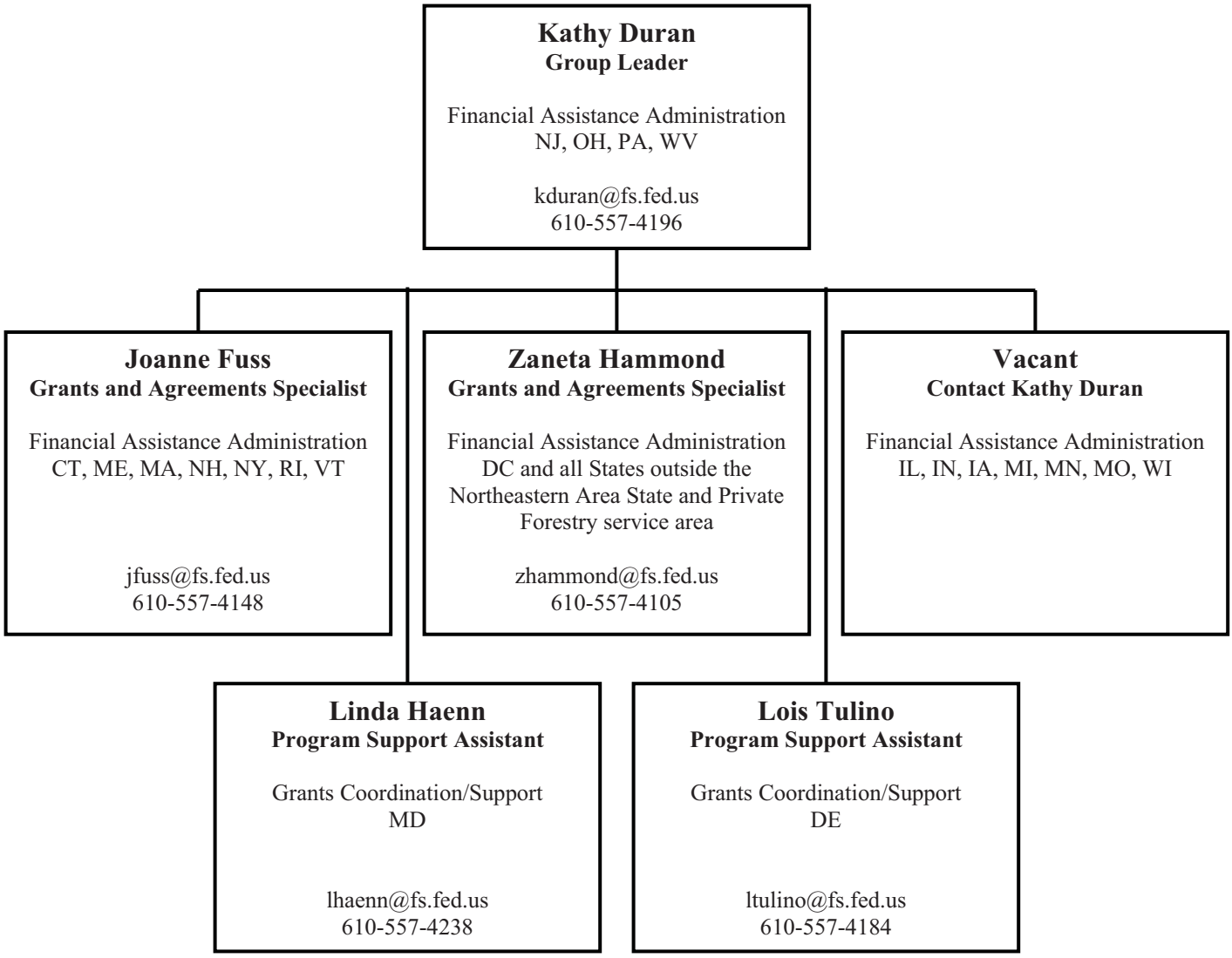

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